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SUMMARY.

Lord Kitchener has sailed from New York for England.

The House of Commons adopted the Budget resolutions by a majority of 81.

The Canadian House of Commons has read the Navy Bill the third time by a majority of 41.

Sir George Reid has issued Lord Kitchener's memorandum on the defence of Australia to the London press.

Several newspapers contain leaders on the memorandum, and also summaries of its contents.

There has been an extraordinary increase of hooliganism in Milan.

The police have organised armed patrol bands, which are arresting hundreds of men nightly.

Many of the arrested men are ex-convicts, armed with revolvers and daggers.

Sir R. Brodon, Acting Inspector-General of Chinese Maritime Customs, has retired, owing to differences with the Chinese Government.

Mr. S. L. Clemens ("Mark Twain") has had another attack of agina pectoris. His condition is serious.

Further oil and rubber companies have been launched in London.

Several newspapers predict an early reaction. Some rubber prices have dropped.

Mr. Moore, Premier of Western Australia, is touring the Midlands. He is interviewing likely settlers.

The Roman Catholic Bishop of Sandhurst, who is in Rome, is suffering from pneumonia, and is in a critical condition.

The Federation of Master Cotton-spinners has decided to recommend members to demand 5 per cent. reduction in wages.

It is unofficially reported in Rome that the Papal Nuncio in Vienna has been recalled for visiting Mr. Roosevelt.

The Minister for Railways of Natal has appealed for the formation of a non-party provisional Union Ministry.

No lives were lost when the steamer Satara foundered near Seal Rocks. The crew behaved splendidly when the vessel struck.

The captain, the chief officer, and the pilot were on board when the Satara foundered.

They were in the water an hour, clinging to wreckage, before they were picked up.

Four of the ship's boats, a quantity of deck fittings, and the ship's articles were found on Croki Beach.

At the declaration of the West Sydney poll yesterday, Mr. W. M. Hughes said the Labour party now had an opportunity to show what it could do.

The additional figures in the South Sydney election increased Mr. Riley's majority to 8366.

Speaking at the Wanneroo show, Sir John Forrest said the Labour party could now do anything it wished with the Constitution.

The people, he remarked, did not deserve self-government.

The 16,000 ballot papers rejected as informal in Victoria in connection with the Senate election are to be recounted.

Meetings of Ministerialists and the Labour party in South Australia were held in Adelaide yesterday.

The Premier, Mr. Peake, stated that the Government intended to meet Parliament.

The report of the Federal Royal Commission on life insurance contains some drastic recommendations.

The most important is that there should be a uniform Federal law on life assurance business.

The Governor-General and Georgina, Countess of Dudley, left Melbourne for Adelaide by the express last evening.

Georgina, Countess of Dudley, will sail by the Otway to-day on her return to England.

The Federal Arbitration Court award in the boot trade continues to cause trouble between the employers and employees.

The management at many of the big factories are discharging improvers.

The employers agree that the decision of Mr. Justice Higgins on the question of compulsory apprenticeship cannot be carried out.

It is pointed out, on behalf of the union, that the award will result in the employment of good tradesmen only.

The Harbour Trust has decided to construct a new wharf for the mail steamers.

It will be built at Benelong Point, nearly at right angles to the P. and O. Wharf.

A scale of wages and hours of work has been drawn up by the Shop Assistants and Warehouse Employees' Association.

Among the claim is one for a Saturday half-holiday and a 48-hour week, with double rates for overtime.

In the Melbourne conspiracy case Brocket, Kemp, and William Harper were discharged. Hill and Huxley were committed for trial.

William Phillips, who was arrested in connection with the Willoughby tragedy, appeared before the Water Police Court yesterday.

A remand was granted until the 27th, so that Phillips might be brought before the Coroner's Court.

Further evidence relating to "tips" was given at the hearing of the marine stewards' case before Mr. Justice Higgins yesterday.

It was stated that it was very difficult to discover what the men get in tips.

In one case, it was further stated, a stewardess in the Queensland run said she was making £20 a month.

The break of gauge question was discussed by the conference of the Associated Chambers of Manufactures at Adelaide.

A motion was carried declaring that the federation of Australia was incomplete so long as the break of gauge existed.

The Mayor and Mayoress of Adelaide gave a garden party yesterday in honour of the Japanese squadron.

A number of rubber plants obtained by the Queensland Government have done very well at the Kamerunga Nursery.

The opinion is held, however, that rubber cultivation in Queensland would scarcely pay owing to the high price of labour.

Isabel Newman, who was prominent in the "missing baby case" in Melbourne, was charged with perjury in connection with the case.

The jury disagreed, and the accused was remanded to the next sittings of the Court.

Discontent exists among the carters and drivers who are out on strike in sympathy with the timber stackers in Melbourne.

They threaten to return to work if some means are not speedily adopted to end the dispute.

Mr. W. G. Perry's Mahonga, the well-known high jumper, dropped dead on the Grafton showground yesterday.

After clearing 6ft 7in, a record for the ground, he cantered round the ring, and suddenly collapsed.

One of those who first went to the Williams River rush in New Guinea states that the prospects of the field are anything but encouraging.

He strongly advises any miners who might be tempted to try their luck there to stay at home.

The absence of rain in the Jumee district is rendering the outlook serious.

The residents of the town are threatened with a water famine, the supply from Bethungra having given out.

Mr. J. Russell French delivered his presidential address before the Institute of Bankers, and touched on many topics connected with business.

Mr. Russell French was re-elected president of the institute.

The team of Maori footballers to visit Australia will leave Wellington on May 30.

There has been a sudden fall in the prices of butter in London, and the market is very depressed.

A fair amount of business in investment stocks was effected on 'Change yesterday, at about late rates.

The trend of prices in the mining market was on the weak side, particularly in silver stocks.

Forecast: More showers on the north coast, and showers likely along the Murray; otherwise fine.

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3rd. They will fasten him down to an iron hospital bed with strong linen bandages.
4th. They will pour from 10 to 15 buckets of water over his form, so as to cause all the material and knots to shrink, holding him in a positively helpless condition.
5th. The attempt to escape to take place in full view of the audience.
HOUDINI HAS ACCEPTED THIS CHALLENGE, AND THE TEST WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE STAGE OF THE TIVOLI THEATRE
TO-NIGHT, FRIDAY, APRIL 22nd.
Last Nights and Farewell of the Greatest Artists Living, WILLIE BROS., WILLIE BROS., WILLIE BROS.
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AUCTION SALES.

INGLIS'S BAZAAR, THIS DAY, AT 10.30 A.M.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 10.30 sharp, Vans, Springcarts, Horses, and Harness; Draught Horses, Tipcarts, Horses, and Harness; and at 11 a.m., Horses and Vehicles of every description, specially advertised. Tel., 1331.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS.

THIS DAY. FRIDAY. AT 2 P.M. SHARP.

100 HEAD, including 10 CHOICE PONIES AND COBS. 100 HEAD,

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction as above,

On account Mr. J. T. O'SULLIVAN, Bourke.

20 Upstanding Light Harness and Saddle Horses, 4 to 6 years old, in good condition, broken and unbroken.

On account Mr. CHAS. RICE, Narwonah, Narromine.

10 High-class Light Harness Horses, principally 4, 5, and 6 years old, in the pink of condition, principally broken in.

Included in the lot are an extra good pair of well-matched Brown or Black Buggy Geldings, 4 and 5 years old, and a good pair of strongly-built Cream Ponies, worthy of buyers' special notice.

Also Grey Gelding, by Huon, Junr., 4 yrs. old, just broken in.

On account Mr. CHAS. MACKINNON, Derribong Station, Dandaloo

10 High-class good quality Ponies and Cobs, principally 3, 4, and 5 year olds, all the one brand, direct from the breeder, in splendid condition, broken and unbroken, sired by a QUEEN'S MESSENGER PONY, also one by COUNT HAROLD.

The above will be found a very choice consignment, and bear Mr. Mackinnon's well-known Half Diamond over Club Brand. Among the lot is a Chestnut Pony, 5 yrs., by Count Harold from a thoroughbred mare, thoroughly broken to sad., s. and d. harness, a real good goer and splendid hackney.

On account WESTERN AGENTS, Condobolin.

10 Upstanding Harness Horses, all in splendid condition, 3 to 6 years old, broken and unbroken.

These are direct from the owner's station, and should be found a very useful draft.

On account Mr. A. W. LYNCH, from the Hunter.

20 Extra Heavy and Medium Draughts, and strong upstanding Business Cart Horses, all 4 to 6 yrs. old, in tip-top condition, broken and unbroken.

Among the Draughts are some really good shafters, broken in, reliable workers, worthy of buyers' special attention.

On account Mr. F. SPEARMAN.

10 Strong Upstanding Light Harness and Saddle Horses, all the right ages for work, thoroughly broken in.

The above have been used in connection with the Easter Encampment, and are being sold on account of Mr. Spearman now having no further use for them.

On account Mr. C. JEFFERY, Mulgrave.

4 Heavy Draught Horses, all good workers in shafts or chains

1 Brown Pony, quiet in saddle and harness.

On account Messrs. BALDWIN BROS., Contractors.

3 Draught Horses, each thoroughly broken in, stanch, and good workers.

The above are being sold for no faults, but solely on account of Messrs. Baldwin having finished an extensive building contract.

On account Mr. J. EDGAR, Burwood.

Brown Filly, 3 yrs., by Huon Jun. from a Burlington mare, handled to lead.

On account Mr. W. J. O'NEILL, Parramatta.

Brown Gelding, 4 yrs., by Huon Prince from Baroness, by Theo Sampson, broken to sad. and harness.

On account Mr. F. COX, Woy Woy.

Handsome Pair of Brown Draught Geldings, 6 years, a splendid match, broken in, suit a lorry, TIPCART TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. COSGROVE to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 11.30 a.m., Bay Draught Gelding, any trial; Tipcart, and Harness, in good order.

TWO FIRST-CLASS TURNOUTS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 11.30 a.m.,

Brown Mare, thickly set, stanch, and reliable, any trial, Hood's Vogue, and Harness; also, Chestnut Pony Gelding, 4 years, 13 hands, quiet in saddle and harness, used to town, Sporting Sulky, and Harness, in perfect condition.

HARNESS HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. P. McGRATH to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock,

Buy Gelding, 6 years, quiet and stanch, any trial.

TO POLO PLAYERS AND OTHERS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock,

Creamy Gelding, 6 years, 14.1, by Merry Day, exceptionally good and quiet in saddle and harness, would make a first-class polo pony.

NARRABRI HORSE SALE.

MAY 12th, 13th, and 14th.

500 HORSES.

Account FRANK PEARL, Esq., Tenterfield.

250 Head, comprising Indian Remounts, balance Cobs and Horses suitable for Merchants' Vans, Beer Waggons, Butchers' and Bakers' Carts.

Account H. PARKINSON, Esq., Toowoomba,

200 Head, Draughts, chiefly 4 and 5 years (few 3 and 6 years), including some superior Mares, 5 years, with foals at foot

Account Various Owners.

100 Head, chiefly Light Harness and Saddle Horses and Mares in foal.

INTENDING SELLERS KINDLY BOOK EARLY.

T. A. STIRTON AND CO., NARRABRI, WILLIAM INGLIS and SON, SYDNEY, AUCTIONEERS.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALES.

MOSMAN and ELLIS will sell by Auction, at their Railway Produce Saleyards, off Miller-street, North Sydney, THIS DAY, at 1 p.m. sharp—Suckers, Carcase Pork, and Veal, Bacon, Lard, Eggs, Butter, Honey, Beeswax, Fruit, etc., a large quantity of poultry, for every description. Preserving Birds, Game, Rabbits, etc.

Buyers please Note Order of Sale:—

BUTTER and EGGS, at 1 p.m. sharp.

SUCKERS, PORK, and VEAL, at 1.30 p.m.

POULTRY, BIRDS, GAME, etc., at 1.45 p.m.

BACON, LARD, HONEY, etc., at 2 p.m.

R. F. MURPHY and CO. will sell by auction THIS DAY, at Thomas-street, Haymarket,

Eggs, Bacon, Pork, etc., 1 o'clock.

Poultry of all classes, at 2 o'clock.

C. J. TURNER sells, at his Rooms, Valentine-street, Haymarket, THIS DAY, as under:—

1.15, Ducklings, Chicks, Birds, etc.

1.30, Eggs, then Poultry.

GEO. H. HOSKIN and CO. sell by Auc., This Day, at West Ealth., Sheepskins, 10.30; Hides, 1.30 p.m.

PRODUCE SALES will be held TO-DAY as under:—SHEEPSKINS, at 10.30 a.m.; HIDES, at 1.30 p.m. ERSKINEVILLE.

THIS DAY, AT 11 O'CLOCK.

TO FURNITURE DEALERS, PRIVATE BUYERS, AND OTHERS.

TOTALLY UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION, On the premises, ERSKINEVILLE ROAD, near R. Station.

STOCK of a FURNITURE DEALER and FURNISHINGS of RESIDENCE, comprising Bedroom Suite, all brass 4ft 6in Bedstead and Bedding, Enclosed Glass Dresser, Dining and Kit. Tables, Wardstands, Chests of Drawers, Bedsteads, Wires, Pictures, Glassware, Crockery, Sundries, etc., etc.

D. AND W. RAINES, Auctioneers, under instructions from Mrs. A. Levy, will sell every line.

UNRESERVED CLEARANCE AUCTION SALE of SURPLUS TIMBER, TO-MORROW, at 3 p.m.

ON THE PREMISES OF MESSRS. KITE and PRICE, TIMBER MERCHANTS, HOMEBUSH.

JAMES COWAN will sell in Lots to suit Purchasers, 20,000 FEET HARDWOOD TIMBERS, ALL SIZES. 6 x 1 and 6 x 4 T. AND G. PINE. PINE BOARDS. PINE MOULDINGS. ARCHITRAVES, SKIRTINGS, AND SUNDRIES.

TERMS, CASH.

NO RESERVE.

ATTRACTIVE SALE OF BUILDING MATERIALS AT ST. PETERS.

DEMOLITION OF 5-ROOMED WEATHERBOARD COTTAGE AND OUTHOUSES, SITUATED KING STREET, ST. PETERS.

Adjoining G. S. Sing's-room, Cross-st., Town Hall. The Materials of the above will be sold in Lots to suit Convenience of Purchasers.

BY PUBLIC AUCTION, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY) AFTERNOON, 2.30.

A REALLY GOOD LOT, comprising

2000ft. WEATHERBOARDS, SOFFITTS, FASCIAS.

2000ft 6 x 1 in LINING, nicely painted, and clean.

1000ft. T. and G. FLOORING, 6 x 1.

1000ft. H.W. Studs, Plates, Ceiling Joists, Floor Joists, etc., 6 x 2, 4 x 2½, 3 x 4.

PANEL and LEDGE DOOR FRAMES.

Skirtings, Architraves, Mouldings, Mantels.

BOX FRAMES and SASHES, complete. STOVE.

2,000 BRICKS, 6 CWT. IRON, SUNDRIES.

A. BARNETT AND PUGH have been instructed by the CONTRACTOR, Mr. WAINWRIGHT, to sell every line. NO RESERVE. £30 TO-MORROW AFTERNOON, AT 2.30.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street,

The Unreserved CLOTHING and JEWELLERY pledged with Mr. Harold Fienberg, of 22, 24, and 26 Bridge-road, Pyrmont.

At 11 o'clock: CLOTHING, BOOTS, BLANKETS, Etc.

At 2 o'clock: Jewellery, consisting of Gold and Silver Waltham and Lever Watches, Gold Albertu, Muff Chains, Links, Diamond Brooches, Earrings, Bracelets, Breastpins, Lockets, Fancy, Wedding, Keeper, Signet, and Nugget Rings.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

40 OXFORD-STREET, CITY.

FRANK BROWN is favoured with instructions to sell by Public Auction, a large consignment of MERCHANDISE, consisting of Marble Horses, China Clock, Sets Lace Curtains, Field and Marine Glasses, Cruets, Wooden Striking Clocks, Cutlery, Table, Dessert Knives by Mosley, Mappin, Webb, Rogers, and other eminent makers, Ladies' Handbags, 11 grs. Doctor Johnson Medico Braces, 150 prs. Children's Shoes, quantity of Diamond and other Jewellery, 1 Cottage Piano, small quantity of Furniture and Effects.

THIS DAY, AT 12 O'CLOCK.

THIS DAY, AT 10 A.M. AND 2.30 P.M., at 265 Pitt-street.

C. BROWN will sell Pawnbroker's Stock, Job Lines, and Travellers' Samples.

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FREE STEAMERS leave PORT MACQUARIE at 1.45 p.m., also from the Spit at 2.30.

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TICKETS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM

HUGH DUFF AND CO.,

AUCTIONEERS, 282 GEORGE-STREET; CHATSWOOD, AND MOSMAN. AND MESSRS. HITCHCOCK AND GOODIN, ENMORE.

BONDI COTTAGES— BONDI LAND— 7 LOTS.

THIS SATURDAY, 23rd APRIL, AT 3.30.

ALLDIS and CO., Ltd., Auctioneers, of Bondi Junction, in conjunction with J. FRANK COX and DUNRICH, of 107 Pitt-street, Sydney . . . on the site, corner of Bondi-road and Dudley-street, close to tram, beach, and baths.

7 LOTS—At above corner . . . Frontages 34 to 40 feet. Depths 126 to 145 feet. Lots 33, 34, 35 Surf View Heights. . . . ALSO, Lots 21 and 22, same Estate, in Dudley-street, Easterly Aspect, overlooking ocean, frontage 40 and 44 feet, depth 102ft 8in. Torrens.

1 LOT—Opposite Castlefield Estate, 55ft to Imperial-avenue by 120 along Rockley-street, corner block. Freehold.

1 Lot—PAIR BRICK COTTAGES, tiled roofs, each 4 rooms, kitchen, and all conveniences. Land 40ft to Francis-street by 150ft, through to Edward-street (both 66ft streets). Total rental, £91 per annum. Torrens.

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THIS DAY. FRIDAY.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 22nd APRIL, AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M. EXTENSIVE SALE BY AUCTION, WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

AT THE ROOMS, to be JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, 128-130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.

HIGHLY SUPERIOR FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD APPOINTMENTS, including USEFUL TABLE APPOINTMENTS, in Glass, China, Cutlery, and Electroplate.

A COMPLETE AND HANDSOME SUITE of ANTIQUE CARVED OAK DINING-ROOM FURNITURE, consisting of MASSIVE 7ft SIDEBOARD EXTENSION TABLE, EXTENDING TO 10ft. LARGE OVERMANTEL SETTEE, SUITE EIGHT DINING CHAIRS AND TWO CARVERS' CHAIRS.

SOLID WALNUT 8ft SIDEBOARD AND DINNER WAGGON, en Suite.

SADDLEBAG SETTEE AND DIVAN CHAIR. HANDSOME OVERMANTELS AND WALL MIRRORS.

ROYAL AXMINSTER AND BRUSSELS CARPETS.

SUPERB DRAWING-ROOM CABINET, made in Fine Old Mahogany and Marqueterie, together with LOFTY OVERMANTEL, en Suite. HANDSOME CHIPPENDALE CHAIRS. CABINET DRAWING-ROOM RECEPTION CHAIRS OCCASIONAL AND AFTERNOON TEA TABLES VALUABLE PICTURES AND ORNAMENTS.

SUPERB STEEL PIANOFORTE, UPRIGHT MODEL, IN HANDSOME DARK ROSEWOOD CASE. Also, SEVERAL HIGH-GRADE PIANOFORTES, by the Leading English and Continental Makers.

VERY FINE EXHIBITION BEDROOM SUITE, MADE IN SOLID WALNUT, HANDSOMELY CARVED, and consisting of LARGE 7ft WARDROBE, PAIR FULL PEDESTAL TOILETS, also 5ft PEDESTAL CUPBOARD, TOWEL RAIL, and 3 Chairs.

DOUBLE AND SINGLE BEDSTEADS AND BEDDING, and AN EXTENSIVE ASSORTMENT of USEFUL FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS.

CANTON DRAWN-THREAD BED-SPREADS AND PILLOW SLIPS.

RUSSIAN TRAVELLING RUG.

AT 12 O'CLOCK NOON, FOUR FIRE AND BURGLAR PROOF IRON SAFES.

TWO D.B., R.L. GUNS, One by Purdy and one by Powell and Son, both in Leather Brass-bound Cases.

A 14/16-H.P. ARGYLE MOTOR CAR (to be sold on account of a defaulting purchaser).

ONE CASE TUMBLERS, QUANTITY ENAMELLED WARE, MARBLE SHELVING AND SLABS, etc., etc., etc.

JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, GENERAL AND GENERAL AUCTIONEERS, 128-130 PITT-STREET, near KING-STREET.

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TO-DAY, 22nd APRIL, AT 11 O'CLOCK, At our New Saleroome, 86 YORK-STREET, HOLT HOUSE, A Large Quantity of BOOTS AND SHOES, Comprising a Large Assortment of MEN'S, WOMEN'S, AND CHILDREN'S, OF VARIOUS MAKES AND SIZES, AND CLEARANCE LINES.

Also, ON ACCOUNT OF WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, ABOUT 500 PAIRS LADIES' PATENT KID SHOES, OF THE HIGHEST-GRADE QUALITY, comprising OXFORD, DERBYETTE, AND TIE SHOES, of the Latest Shapes, and in regular sizes.

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THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AT 11 A.M.

SPECIAL AUCTION SALE.

Under instructions from a client in Beresford-road, Homebush, and on account various Vendors,

SUPERB 3-PIECE BEDROOM SUITE, in perfect order and condition, with all modern fitments.

TWO-PIECE OAK BEDROOM SUITE, with exquisite carvings in Beard, Watson's, Ltd., best style and finish.

5 x 3 EXTENSION DINING TABLE.

6ft BEECH WARDROBE, in splendid order and condition.

SOLID CEDAR BOOKCASE, plate glass front.

New Titterton Safe, 16 x 17 x 24.

£5 THE UPRIGHT GRAND MASCOTTE PIANO, in perfect tone and condition.

This is a splendid specimen of these favourite pianos imported by Callan and Co., Ltd., and can be heartily recommended to those looking for a modern medium-priced instrument.

Furnishings of five minor Bedrooms, and a full range of Kitchen Appointments.

INSPECTION PRIOR TO SALE.

STRONGMAN, WATSON, & HAWKINS, Auctioneers and Agents for Vendors, Burwood, and 163 Pitt-street, Sydney.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 22nd APRIL, at the CITY MART, 8 SPRING-STREET, at 11.30 a.m.

MOTOR LAUNCH, Length, 14 feet. Beam, 5 feet. Is driven by an Eagle Engine, one horse-power.

FRASER, UTHER, AND CO., LTD., will sell by auction, the above. BUILDING MATERIAL THIS DAY, FRIDAY, APRIL 22, AT 11 O'CLOCK.

CONTENTS OF THE DERBYSHIRE HOTEL, opp. Foley Bros., SUSSEX-STREET, near Liverpool-st.

25,000 BRICKS and STONE, 300 JOISTS, 7 x 2½, 6 x 2½, 5 x 2½, 4 x 2½; 3000ft Square-jointed Flooring.

500ft LINING, 800ft P. BATTENS.

300 RAFTERS, Long Lengths.

150 SHEETS IRON, 6, 7, and 8 ft. good.

10 Doors, Box Frames and Sashes, Hotel Front, Girder, Bath, Cistern, Water Pipes, Taps, and Quantity Cedar and Host Sundries.

ALF. EDGAR has received instructions to sell every line absolute. NO RESERVE. THIS IS A GOOD LOT OF TIMBER.

BUSINESSES FOR SALE OR WANTED.

WARDEN, Hoffnung's-chambers, 163 Pitt-st, next to G.P.O. Established 1886.

WARDEN, 163 Pitt-st.—Hotel, contin. elec., rent £2 10s wk., trade 6 x 27's wkly., £435, free.

WARDEN.—Hotel, prominent posn., in select sub., lease 5 yrs., low rent, takings £15 wkly., billiards, well furnished and appointed, £2880, net profits £1000 per annum.

WARDEN, 163 Pitt-st.—Hotel, manufg. centre, rent £3 10s week, trade 8 x 36's weekly, £650.

WARDEN.—Hotel, lease 11½ yrs., rent £3 week, takings £35 wkly., continuance electorate, £300.

WARDEN, 163 Pitt-st.—Hotel, George-st, ct. £9 wk., takings £110 wkly., large 6d trade, £1050, free.

WARDEN.—Hotel, city., lease 13 yrs., rent £2 15s, takings £40 weekly, £325.

FARRELL and McDONALD, Hotel Brokers, 88 Pitt-st, opp. Angel Hotel, near G.P.O. Tel., 1661 City.

FARRELL and McDONALD.—Hotel, indust. sub., same hands 20 yrs., 5 yrs., £3, Tooth's, £500.

FARRELL and McDONALD.—Hotel, nice sub. home, 7 yrs., £4, average 6 x 36 Tooth's, £700.

FARRELL and McDONALD.—Hotel, busy sub. st., 4 yrs., £2, good chance energetic man, £300.

FARRELL and McDONALD.—Hotel, prog. city area, long lease, £4 10s, same hands many years, £700.

FARRELL and McDONALD.—Hotel, com. house, best pos., good city, town, 9 yrs., £4, 1kg. £70, £1800.

FARRELL and McDONALD.—Hotel, work'man's house gd. south-west. town, 7 yrs., £2, cash, £350.

FARRELL and McDONALD.—Hotel, country, 15 yrs., £2 10s, takings guaranteed average £40 weekly, all 6d. Stand any investigation, cash, £950.

HIGH-CLASS BOARDING-HOUSE, grand position, 35 rooms, billiard-room, tennis court, acre land, garden, lawn, splendidly furnished, 35 boarders, same hands 6 years, lady is only parting with this on account leaving for London, principals only, £1000.

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BOARDING-HOUSE, best pos., D'hurst section, 17 rooms, very cheap rent, nicely, old est., lady compelled to sell owing to failing health, always full, £275. JOSEPH and CO., 106 King-street.

RESIDENTIAL Chambers, 1d sec., 11 r., rent 27s, cl. £3 weekly, £90. Joseph and Co.

GRILL, Tea Rooms, busy city spot, clear profits £6 wkly, trial given, count. residence, nicely furnished. No humbug about this, come and see for yourselves, £160. JOSEPH and CO., 106 King-street.

PASTRY, Refreshment, and Luncheon Rooms, good 2 sub., takings £30 wkly., fine double-fronted shop and residence, urgent sale necessary, and will sacrifice at once for £100. JOSEPH and CO., 106 King-street.

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HOTEL, city, 2 bars, 7 x 36, taking £80, £850.

HOTEL, dease trade, lease 7, rent £3, £40 week, £550

HOTEL, free, lease 5, rent £3, 4 x 27 week, £225.

HOTEL, rent 81, rent £2, 4 bids. Tooth's week, £475.

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ON THE LAND.

FARM AND STATION.

HORSE-BREEDING.

The pressing question of mounting the Imperial forces is causing the authorities much anxiety, and consequently considerable discussion has arisen concerning horse-breeding in England. In the main, proposals favour the adoption of Continental methods, and the formation of State studs or State assistance to breeders has been strongly advocated in many quarters. It certainly appears that some of the leading European countries have made much better provision for mounting their forces, and it is only natural that the present position in Britain should cause anxiety. There are many reasons for the trouble in obtaining suitable horses, but W. Philipotts Williams, writing in the "British Journal of Agriculture," deals with a particularly interesting phase which touches upon points of interest to breeders in all parts of the world. He points out that every farmer who goes in for breeding horses suitable for remount purposes knows how speculative the business is—a fact which local experience endorses. Good specimens of the lighter and smaller horses may be bred with comparative certainty if reasonable care is taken in selecting brood mares, but when both substance and staying power are aimed at, for each success there are many disappointments. The really good weight-carrying animal, when he is bred, commands a high price, and is, of course, too good for the army, but the majority of the horses of this class which farmers are able to offer are third or fourth raters, which the remount officer will not take. The result is that the army has great difficulty in finding satisfactory horses, and the breeder is disheartened, and very often gives up the attempt to combine pace and substance. In the main this is the case in Australia also. The uncertainty of the business indeed makes the breeding of heavy horses much safer than breeding horses for remount purposes. At the present time there can be no question of which is the most profitable business, and it is doubtful if many small men at least would care to forsake breeding draughts for the lighter horse. Certainly, if they get a really good specimen of the latter, it commands big money, but there is always the trouble that a lot of the young stuff turn out to be only of second or third rate quality—the hardest horse of any to sell profitably. The British farmer has had the same experience, and therefore has gone in for breeding the heavier horse, as the writer points out in the above article. On the other hand, those interested in breeding light-legged sires have with few exceptions concentrated attention on the thoroughbred. Consequently, he says, Britain possesses the finest racehorses and carthorses in the world, but intermediate breeds of the type required by the army for artillery and transport purposes are disappearing as a result. While it is comparatively easy to secure trueness of type when breeding at either end of the scale—light or heavy—the production of a good intermediate animal is largely a matter of chance.

He says:—"A common experience now is that when two animals, a thoroughbred and a heavy mare, each perhaps a good specimen of its own type, are mated, the offspring, so far as appearance goes, may be fairly satisfactory, but when the half-bred has been broken in, and is tested at work, he proves a disappointment; instead of a combination of the courage and staying power of the sire with the substance of the dam, the young horse may turn out a sluggish, soft animal; or it may be that his stamina is not up to his pluck, and he develops into a 'bad-doer,' expensive to keep and difficult to sell; or the quality of his bone may be found wanting, and splints and other ailments develop. Such experiences naturally discourage the horse-breeder, and it seems clear that until we get rid of some of the uncertainty that lies behind our present system of mating together animals which differ widely in type, the breeding of the intermediate class of horse cannot become popular. The objections to the present system do not end with the first cross. Even when, as the result of mating the thoroughbred and the cart mare, a first-rate animal results, this animal is of relatively little use for breeding purposes. Half-bred stallions are seldom employed, for everyone realises that the stock will not be true to type; but half-bred mares are bred from, with the result that, however good in themselves, they produce foals of very unequal merit. This is a point to which breeders have not given nearly enough attention. They rely on the breeding and prepotency of the stallion, and forget that the mare carries qualities that do not appear in herself, but may be transmitted to her offspring. Recent investigations into the principles of breeding show that until the mare, as well as the stallion, has acquired fixity of type—that is, has become a pure breed—uniform results cannot be expected. Too much reliance has been placed on the prepotency of the sire by English breeders, and much more attention to the task of securing pure strains of mares of intermediate type is now required. The success of some of the breeding establishments of foreign Governments is due to a recognition of this fact. In the Hungarian studs, for example, the so-called half-bred mare are pure strains, with pedigrees going back for many years."

He holds that so long as breeders are content to rely for army horses upon the offspring of two pure breeds, as widely divergent as the thoroughbred and draught mare, they must be prepared for many disappointments. While a farmer may secure a breed of cattle or sheep precisely suited to his locality, if he wants a sire that commands pace and substance, he finds choice is practically limited to crosses between two widely different pure breeds. While both may be excellent in their own way, it is not surprising that the more or less mongrel intermediate strains do not give satisfaction. Mr. Williams's contention is that the intermediate breeds of horses which have been lost must be restored, and to get these types, steps must be taken to set about breeding stallions. Including the thoroughbred he considers four distinct breeds are necessary, which he divides as follows:—The lightweight thoroughbred, strong thoroughbred, weight-carrying hunter, and artillery wheeler.

ITEMS.

An ex-Tasmanian who is farming on the Binjour Plateau (Q.) is experimenting with sunflower seed.

Many New Zealand landowners, seeing that there is good money in rabbiting, are asking payment of royalty from trappers.

Threshing operations have now been completed throughout the Millthorpe district, and so far as can be approximately estimated the returns this year will exceed those of last, when the estimated yield was 24,000 bushels, by about 1000 bushels.

Fallowing and sowing operations are now in full swing throughout the Millthorpe district and the beneficial rains of the last few days will greatly facilitate operations. So far seasonable conditions have been good, and all looks well for next season's crops.

The great bulk of the cheese factories of Otago (N.Z.) have adopted a scheme of disposing of the cheese output at periodic local auctions throughout the season.

At a sale of horses held in Melbourne last week 964 animals realised £11,300. Heavy draughts brought up to £63, buggy horses up to £50, and animals suitable for India £32.

In some parts of New Zealand codlin moth has been worse this season than for many years past. Growers are being urged to take preventive and repressive measures in a thorough manner during the coming season.

Even the sparrow has his friends. A New Zealand farmer complains that the imported little owls scared all the sparrows from the Kimbell district, and that he would be worse off without the sparrows than with them. The sparrows did an incalculable amount of good in devouring the seeds of weeds, and but for them, he claimed, the bot-fly nuisance would become intolerable.

The Southern Districts Advisory Board has practically completed all its inspections and valuations. In addition to this pressure on the large estates, a great number of Riverina properties will be privately subdivided.

Some time ago carcases of pork which were exhibited at the recent A.N.A. Exhibition in Melbourne, with the exception of two, were exported to London. The Victorian Minister of Agriculture had ordered that two carcases should be retained, in order to ascertain whether pork could be successfully kept in cold storage to ensure its delivery in London in fresh condition, and then cured. The carcases had been kept in cold storage for a period of nine weeks, and were then submitted to the curing process. The experiment has demonstrated that pork can be kept in cold storage landed in London, and either sold as fresh pork or cured when it gets there and sold as bacon.

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(BY OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

The Bathurst district is one of the oldest settled centres in the State. When in the early part of the last century the fastness of the Blue Mountains was conquered the pioneers settled on the country around Bathurst and on the famous Macquarie Plains. It became in the course of time a centre from which radiated all the roads westward, and before the coming of the railway had assumed a town of large proportions. Pastoralists with runs outback built palatial homes at Bathurst, and it was a thriving and prosperous town in those days.

To-day this town, on the banks of the Macquarie, is one of the best laid out in the State. Its wide streets shaded by ornamental trees, its Machattie Park, fine public buildings, and magnificent climate, all suggest that its destiny has not yet been fulfilled, and the want of progress of late years has caused some anxiety as to the ultimate future of what ought to be a thriving commercial centre.

At the recent Bathurst show the Minister for Agriculture took occasion to refer to the decrease in cultivation around Bathurst, and while admitting that conditions was attributed to indifferent seasons; but a further reason might be obtained if investigation was made. Much of the land is held in large areas, and often as not the landowner is disinclined to sell his land, although there have been one or two notable exceptions of late. Some adopt the practice of letting the land to tenant farmers, but to judge from the conditions of many of these farms the system has not proved satisfactory. Other landowners let the land out on the share system. Some find it profitable by adopting this system with Chinese market gardeners, who grow cauliflowers, which are a very profitable crop. The river flats of the Macquarie are rich in all those elements that are necessary for the successful growing of lucerne; still, many of the flats are not devoted to the cultivation of more permanent character of the fodder plant; and if this land could become freehold in large enough areas there is no doubt that an added stimulus would be given to the growing of lucerne and similar crops. The Bathurst Farm has demonstrated the value of the flats in its riverside area, and so luxuriant is the growth that the profit from it is considerable. Asparagus beds also yield a fine profit, and this represents two crops which could be grown with advantage. While the rainfall of the district has been somewhat below the average of late years, last season proved a very good one with most farmers and pastoralists, and there will be a high lambing percentage this season if it continues good. While rain would be welcome at present, and the ewes are in good heart, and the accumulation of hay stacks that are revealed in a drive through the district indicates what a good crop has been harvested.

The district is one that is essentially suited for mixed farming on proper areas. The experimental farm has done much in turning the attention of farmers in this direction. It is to be regretted, however, that farmers do not make use of it to the extent they should.

Above all other things, the experimental farm has demonstrated the value of the district in the direction of apple growing. The success of the farm orchard has drawn attention in an unmistakable way to it, and for this reason there is sure to be, sooner or later, a big expansion in the industry. Provided one can afford to wait there is no branch of fruit-can afford to wait there is no branch of fruit-growing which yields a better return than that of apples, owing to their universal use and utility. Its keeping qualities places the apple in a unique position, so that the man who starts an apple orchard, as one grower put it, "has the world for a market." Then again "has the world for a market." Then again "has the world for a market." Then again

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LAW REPORT.

HIGH COURT.

(Before Sir Samuel Griffith, Chief Justice, Mr. Justice O'Connor, and Mr. Justice Isaacs.)

TAXATION TEST APPEAL CASE.

Adams v Commissioners of Taxation.

Judgment was delivered in the appeal case of Adams v the Commissioners of Taxation, N.S.W., v Ernest Henry Adams, the public officer of the Seaham Colliery Company. The facts were that during the year 1909 the Commissioners of Taxation assessed the taxable income of the Seaham Colliery Company, Ltd., for the purposes of income tax for 1907 at the amount of income earned by the company during 1906 from the use of certain lands in coal-mining operations, and claimed income tax for 1907. The company contended that as the land was during 1906 subject to land tax the income derived from the use of the land during that year was exempt from income tax for 1907, and appealed from the assessment to the Court of Review. Judge Murray, sitting as a Court of Review, held that the company was not entitled to the exemption claimed, but, at the request of the company, his Honor stated a special case for determination by the Supreme Court, "whether, in assessing the amount of taxable income of the company for 1907, the Commissioners are entitled to include the income derived by the company during 1908 from the use of land in coal-mining, which land, during the latter year, was subject to land tax under parts 2 and 3 of the Land and Income Tax Assessment Act." The Full Court answered the question in the affirmative, and dismissed the appeal.

Against this decision appeal was made to the High Court.

There were two appeals, which were between the parties, the second being the Commissioners v Adams, although in respect of the income tax for different years involving the same questions. They were, therefore, dealt with together.

The appeal in the first case was allowed, and the rules appealed from was discharged. The appeal from the Court of Review was allowed with costs. An order in similar terms was made in the second case.

Sir Samuel Griffith said the income of the colliery was derived from working the coal mines and disposing of the coal by export and otherwise. The question was then, whether that income was to be regarded as derived from the ownership or use of land within the meaning of section 15 of the Act, or as derived from a business. In one view it was exempt from income tax so long as the land was subject to land tax; in the other it was liable to income tax subject to the deductions allowed by section 28 (VI.).

The income from collieries, they were informed, had, ever since the passing of the Act of 1895, been treated as income arising from land—whether from ownership or use was not material. That seemed to be a natural construction, and the only doubt cast upon it arose from the language of an Act of 1898 called the Land and Income Tax Declaratory Act, which was passed in consequence of a decision of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, afterwards reversed by the Chief Justice, to the effect that the Broken Hill Proprietary Company, which carried on mining for silver and lead on land leased from the Crown, and exported the products, had no assessable income accruing in New South Wales. The Act declared that any person who extracted substances from the soil and exported them should be deemed to carry on the trade of extracting such substances, and it was provided that the value of them when exported should be deemed to be the amount upon which income tax should be payable, subject to certain deductions. In fixing rules and adjusting the incidence of the tax so that it might fall on profits only, it was directed that income derived from the ownership, use, and cultivation of land subject to land tax should be exempt. The words of this enactment extended to coal mining, which was, therefore, one of the land the company derived income during 1908, and the Commissioners of Taxation assessed the amount of income tax chargeable thereon. The public officer of the company appealed against the assessment, on the ground, inter alia, that the company carried on a business within the meaning of the Land and Income Tax Assessment Act, and that the commissioners had refused to allow him to deduct from the taxable income of the company a sum equal to five per cent. on the unimproved value of the land, plus five per cent. on the amount of the value of improvements. Judge Murray, sitting as a Court of Review, upheld the contention of Adams, and allowed the deduction. The matter was carried on appeal to the Supreme Court, which held that the determination of the Court of Review was right, and that the appeal should be dismissed with costs.

His Honor said in the case the company contended that they were entitled in the assessing of their income for 1907, to the deductions allowed to persons drawing their income from a business under section 28 (VI.). But, since the income from their mines was not, for the reasons given, income derived from a business within the meaning of that section, that provision had no application to the case. The appeal must, therefore, be allowed.

Mr. Justice O'Connor concurred.

Mr. Justice Isaacs was of opinion that the appeal Adams v the Commissioners should be dismissed, and the second—Commissioners of Taxes v Adams—should be allowed. He said that, as to whether the income of the company was derived from the use of the land, he had no doubt it was. It was rather narrowing the meaning of the word as employed in relation to the subject matter to urge against it that the use of the land negatived consuming any part of it. If, instead of coal, the land contained oil, or mineral water, or pitch, or diamonds, the result would be the same. If, however, instead of selling the coal as raised, and so deriving the income from a use as direct as nature would allow, the landowner were to convert it into gas, or manufacture aniline dyes, there would be interposed processes which would destroy the directness of the source, and make the land the remote and not the proximate origin of the income. The Act of 1898 did not affect this question. It was passed to separate exportation from previous processes, and to declare the first part a trade in New South Wales.

The other question—whether the word "taxable" in sub-section 2 of section 3 of the Land and Income Tax Act, 1904—meant taxable according to the law in force in the year of assessment, or taxable according to the law in force in the preceding year, was an important one. The appellant Adams contended for the second meaning, the Commissioners for the first, and his Honor agreed with the Commissioners, and was of opinion that the decision of Judge Murray, and that of the Full Court confirming the primary decision, were substantially right.

A BILL OF SALE.

Turner v Mont de Piete Company.

In May of last year plaintiff brought an action against the Mont de Piete Company for the recovery of damages in respect of the seizure and sale of certain goods under a bill of sale. The case was tried before Mr. Justice Sly and a jury, and a verdict was returned for the plaintiff for £57 8s 9d. The defendant appealed to the Full Court, and the appeal was upheld. Against this decision appeal was made to the High Court. Argument was concluded. Judgment was reserved till the following day.

THE CROWN LANDS ACT.

Hawker v M'Leod and Dickinson.

Judgment was delivered in this case, which came before the Court in the form of an appeal from the decision of the Chief Judge in Equity. The plaintiff instituted his suit in Equity, claiming specific performance of the option to purchase a C.P. of 100 acres and a C.L. of 300 acres, situate in the land district of Glen Innes, contained in an agreement dated September 17, 1906, and the question the Court was called upon to determine was whether the giving of such option was legal. Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson held that the agreement giving the option of purchase to the plaintiff was forbidden by section 121 of the Crown Lands Act of 1884. He therefore dismissed the suit with costs. The appeal to the High Court was made on the following grounds:—(1) That his Honor was in error in holding that in the events which happened the contract sued on came within the operation of section 121 of the Crown Lands Act of 1884; (2) that the option to purchase where given by the defendant Dickinson was incidental to the express power of transfer conferred on him by section 29 of the Crown Lands Act of 1895, and to the power to transfer conferred on him by implication by section 11 of the Crown Lands Act of 1903; and (3) that even if the giving of the decision were not in terms authorised by any decision of the Crown Lands Act, no provision of the Act operated to forbid it.

Sir Samuel Griffith said the question depended upon the construction of section 121 of the Crown Lands Act, 1884, which was as follows:—"Every devise, contract, lease, agreement, or security made, entered into, or given before, at, or after the date of any application to make a conditional purchase, conditional lease, or homestead lease, with the intent of having the effect of enabling any person other than the applicant to acquire by purchase or otherwise the land applied for, shall be illegal and absolutely void, both at law and in equity." In order to get the interpretation of the section his Honor reviewed in some detail the system of conditional purchase in New South Wales. The section, he said, dealt not only with contracts, agreements, and securities, which were dealt with by the Act of 1875, but also with devises and leases. In regard to devises it was reputed to be a common incident of the system of dummying before 1884 to employ as an applicant a person reputed to be at the point of death, who was induced to make a will in favour of his employer which would operate upon the inchoate interest acquired by the application. Whether it would have had a similar effect under the new system if the applicant died before confirmation might have been considered doubtful. With regard to leases, the Act of 1884 provided for conditional leases as well as conditional purchases, so that a lease of land comprised in an application for a conditional lease executed concurrently with the application would, if valid, have operated by way of estoppel upon the land when acquired by the applicant. The transactions invalidated were transactions entered into "before, at, or after the date of the application," which his Honor construed to mean the date of lodging the application with the land agent. What was the proper limitation of the word "after"? His Honor dealt with sections 122 and 125, and said it would be a strange and unexpected provision that a man who had acquired a conditional purchase bona-fide for his own sole use should for five years at least be deprived of the right of disposing of it by will for the benefit, perhaps, of his wife and children. Section 125 contained nothing to suggest that the term "representatives" did not include "executors," or that the term "persons rightfully entitled" meant next of kin only. It pointed, he thought, strongly in the other direction, and implied that the executors of a conditional purchaser took the land. If that were so, a devise by a conditional purchaser after confirmation was not one declared by the Act to be illegal, and section 121 had no application to such devises. And since the period referred to in that section was the same in all cases, it would follow that it did not relate to the period after confirmation at all. All the circumstances pointed to the conclusion that sections 121 and 122 were directed to the period before confirmation only. It had been suggested, however, that contracts made during the first five years of compulsory residence were within the mischief to which the law was directed. The non-alienability of the land for five years was already secured by the personal residence provision. The Legislature which repealed the Act of 1875, and did not re-enact section 9 of it, might have thought that that provision, together with section 122, would be sufficient to obviate all mischief to which they had any regard. Even assuming that any contract creating an interest in the land to take effect before fulfilment of conditions was prohibited by section 121, his Honor could see no apparent reason why a contract to take effect after fulfilment should be held to be prohibited. The case had been argued mainly as one of contract to take effect on fulfilment of conditions, but the contract also included what purported to be a lease for three years, a term which began a short time before, and extended for more than two years after, the five years of compulsory residence. He doubted whether this was in reality a demise which imported a parting with possession of the land, both because such a parting with possession would have been inconsistent with the intention of the parties that the so-called lessor should continue to perform the condition of personal residence in his own right, and not as a tenant to another, and also because by the terms of the contract itself he was to perform certain stipulated conditions of improvement such as would properly be performed by an owner in possession. In any case, if this lease was invalidated, his Honor did not think that it invalidated the agreement itself at the expiration of it. The conclusion he arrived at was that the contract sued upon was not illegal, and that the appellant was entitled to judgment for specific performance.

Mr. Justice O'Connor and Mr. Justice Isaacs delivered judgments in similar terms, and a formal order was entered that the appeal be allowed, the judgment appealed from to be discharged, and a declaration substituted that the plaintiff was entitled to specific performance; defendant to be ordered to pay costs up to the hearing, the declaration to be permitted to the Supreme Court, and respondent to pay costs of the appeal.

SUPREME COURT.

EQUITY COURT.

(Before the Chief Judge in Equity.)

CLAIM TO AN ANNUITY.

Homfray v O'Brien and others.

Mr. J. A. Browne, instructed by Mr. W. J. Dearin, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. R. H. L. Innes, instructed by Mr. T. O. O'Brien, for the defendants. This was a suit brought by Rose Fairlie Homfray against Thomas Ormond O'Brien, Amelia Jane O'Brien, Ormond O'Brien, Amelia Jane O'Brien, and Rupert O'Brien, in reference to the will and codicil of Francis O'Brien, the elder, late of Bondi. The suit was principally in reference to an annuity of £100 left by testator to plaintiff, and £1300 and upwards alleged by plaintiff to represent arrears due.

Defendants, who are trustees of the will, denied that plaintiff had fulfilled certain conditions laid down by the testator, and stated further that since testator's death there had been no net income from the property.

After hearing evidence and argument, his Honor reserved judgment.

(Before Mr. Justice Street.)

ALLEGED INFRINGEMENT OF A PATENT.

Schwer v Fulham and another.

This suit, which is in reference to a patent concerning sheet metal baths, is still part heard.

DIVORCE COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Street.)

DECREES ABSOLUTE.

His Honor made absolute the decrees nisi in the following suits, and declared the marriages dissolved:—Ellen Stokes v Alfred Abraham Ernest Stokes. Florence Ann Lambert v Samuel Lambert, Jessie May Cederberg v John Christian Cederberg. Jennie Elizabeth Snodgrass v David Graham Snodgrass, Jane Eliza Porter v Francis Alfred Porter, Mary Ellen Townsend v William Townsend, George Edward Richardson v Catherine Mary Richardson, Frederick Allan Dove v Adelaide Dove, William Beverley v Amelia Ann Beverley, Alice Martha Hetherington v Roderick Hetherington, Elizabeth Woods v Thomas Edward Woods, William Arthur John Robyns v Winifred Grace Robyns, Rachel Hip Chong v Hip Chong, George Henry Randell v Margaret Ann Randell, Ernest Walter Excell v Myra Ann Excell, Alma Whelan v James Whelan, Sara Jane Vinstrup v Alfred Julius Fernando Johansen Vinstrup, Jane Hall v Bertram Hall, Mary Hughes v Francis Hughes, and Emma Alexander Wells v Arthur George Wells.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

(Before the Registrar, Mr. F. H. Salusbury.)

CERTIFICATE APPLICATION.

Re Michael Joseph Curry. The Registrar suspended the issue of the order of discharge for six months on the grounds that bankrupt failed to comply with an order of the Court to file accounts, and that he contracted debts without having at the time any reasonable or probable ground of expectation of being able to pay the same.

SINGLE MEETINGS.

In the respective estates of Jonathan Wiley and Phillip Ascott Cresswell bankrupts were examined by the official assignee, and the meetings concluded.

VOLUNTARY SEQUESTRATIONS.

Frank Turner, of Petersham, clerk. Mr. Palmer, official assignee.

Charles Ernest Campbell, of Lower Coldstream, Clarence River, labourer. Mr. Palmer, official assignee.

CREDITOR'S PETITION.

George Booth, of 64 Oxford-street, printer, versus C. O. Weber, of Franela-street, and lately carrying on business at 356 Bourke-street, Surry Hills. Petition to be heard April 29.

DISTRICT COURT.

(Before Judge Murray.)

CLAIM TO A DEPOSIT.

Huthwaite v Eagar.

Mr. James, instructed by Messrs. Robson and Cowlishaw, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Wyndham E. J. Davies, instructed by Mr. H. C. G. Moss, for the defendant. This was an action brought by William Huthwaite, of Cameron-street, Rockdale, engineer, against Harry Austin Eagar, estate agent, to recover the sum of £30, being the amount of deposit received by defendant as agent for the plaintiff, as vendor, under a contract of sale dated October 15, 1907, whereby plaintiff agreed to sell, and the City Mutual Life Assurance Society, Ltd., agreed to buy, property situated at Toogood-street, Erskineville, which contract was subsequently cancelled by mutual consent, and defendant was authorised by the solicitor of the assurance society to pay the deposit to plaintiff. Defendant said that the £30 was not received by him from the City Mutual Life Assurance Society in respect of the contract referred to as agent for the plaintiff. He acted as agent for plaintiff and one Carl William Peltschmann in a contract for the purchase of the property referred to; that default was made by the plaintiff in carrying out the contract, and as stakeholder between the parties he (defendant) retained the £30 on behalf of Peltschmann. He also pleaded cross-action in the amount of £8 17s 6d, being 2½ per cent. commission on £355 for the sale of plaintiff's property to Peltschmann.

His Honor found for plaintiff £30 on his claim, and gave judgment for defendant on his cross-action for £8 17s 6d.

INDUSTRIAL COURT.

(Before the President, Judge Heydon.)

WATER BOARD'S CASUAL HANDS.

An application was made by Mr. Clara, on behalf of the Employees' Association of the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage, for the variation of a recommendation of the Industrial Court made on December 6 last. The recommendation was for the constitution of a board for the industry of all employees of the Water and Sewerage Board not already included under existing boards. But the recommendation excluded from the "all the members of the clerical and professional staff of the said board, and all casual employees of the said board who have not been continuously such for a period of 12 months or more." The present application was to have the recommendation varied by striking out the exception as to casual hands, and bringing them under the board.

Mr. Blacket, instructed by Mr. H. S. Williams, appeared for the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board, to oppose.

Mr. Clara said that at the time the board was applied for the association had a rule under which a man who had not been in the service for 12 months could not become a member. The rule had since been repealed.

His Honor said he was sure the reason the Court left the men out of the jurisdiction of the board was not because they were unable to be members of the union. The board was constituted for the industry, not the union.

Mr. Blacket said the reason they had been left out was that his Honor had heard Mr. Small, who pointed out that there were casual hands of 12 months' service or more, and another class who were simply hired in the street for an hour or a day in stress of work. It was undesirable that these should be allowed to claim double time, or time and a half if it happened to be a holiday they were hired on.

Mr. Clara said if the variation were not made the Water Board would be able to dismiss casual hands of long standing, and then re-employ them as employees of less than 12 months' continuous service. The Water and Sewerage Board's employees were specially excluded from the Unskilled Labourers' Board.

His Honor reserved his judgment.

THE TRAMWAY BOARD.

Mr. A. C. Warton applied, on behalf of the Tramway Employees' Union, for the appointment of a member of the Tramway (No. 1) Board instead of Mr. F. J. Murray. He contended that Mr. Murray had no personal experience of overhead line work into which the board would be inquiring. As an alternative he would ask that the board should be dissolved and reconstituted.

Mr. W. D. Clark appeared for the Amalgamated Railway and Tramway Association, and Mr. Cargill (Solicitor for Railways) for the Chief Commissioner.

Mr. Murray, who appeared in person, said the overhead linesmen were applying for a variation of the award, and wanted him to remain on the board.

Mr. Warton said it was essential that the men who sat on boards should be always at the beck and call of the organisation they represented, and he therefore asked that an overhead linesman should be appointed.

Mr. Warton named Edward William Fowler as the person he wished to have nominated.

Mr. Murray objected that Mr. Fowler was not engaged in the work referred to.

His Honor said there had been no breach of faith on Mr. Murray's part, and he could not take the extreme step of dissolving the board to get rid of him, and re-constituting it. If the parties came together it should be possible for them to agree on someone to take Mr. Murray's place, upon which Mr. Murray could resign, and the other be appointed. He, therefore, refused to remove Mr. Murray from the board.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

(Before Judge Backhouse.)

Mr. R. Browning was Crown Prosecutor.

RECEIVING.

Solomon Cohen and James Hennessy were charged with receiving some jewellery—three lots—the property of Ernest Hawthorne Price, well knowing them to have been stolen. The articles consisted of 14 watchchains, some sovereign purses, two finger rings, and some other trinkets. The prosecution alleged that a man named Jonas had been in the employ of Price, a jeweller, in King-street, for some months, and had stolen some of the stock. On a charge to that effect Jonas pleaded guilty, and was serving a sentence. Two diamond rings, it was said, had been handed to Cohen, who had been introduced to Jonas by Hennessy. Cohen pawned them for £80, and gave £50 to Jonas. The rings were said to be worth about £206.

The accused pleaded not guilty, and denied guilty knowledge. A meeting between the three men was admitted. Cohen declared that he had given the whole of the £80 to Jonas. Hennessy, in a statement from the dock, said he believed that Jonas had come by the rings honestly.

A number of police gave evidence as to Cohen's good character, and several other witnesses were called on the same account.

The jury found both men guilty, and remanded them for sentence. A recommendation to mercy in respect to Cohen was noted by his Honor.

Application was made for compensation from the Mont de Piete, with which institution the rings were pawned. His Honor said he would make an order for restitution to the owners, and consider whether he could make an order in favour of the Mont de Piete out of the money found on Cohen.

SENTENCES.

Andrew William Anderson, who pleaded guilty to having embezzled £79 10s, the property of his master, H. V. M'Kay, was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment with hard labour. If some of the money should be returned, and a guarantee given by friends of the prisoner for good behaviour, license might be recommended.

Alfred Spaull, who pleaded guilty of embezzlement of £26 6s 2d, £33 4s 6d, and £25 12s 1d, the property of Peter Mathieson, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment on each count, concurrently, a remission to be recommended if portion of the property should be restored.

John Joseph Strange, convicted of occasioning actual bodily harm to Alexander Stewart, was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour.

William Edwin Martin, who pleaded guilty on rearraignment to stealing £1146 16s 9d, the property of Edward Joseph Powell, was sentenced to three years' penal servitude. Direction was made for the payment by the prisoner to Powell of £500.

Thomas Jackson, who pleaded guilty of larceny of a coat and vest and a fur, the property of H. O. Greenland, was sentenced to three years' penal servitude.

LAND APPEAL COURT.

The following reserved decisions have been delivered by the Land Appeal Court:—Appeal by Charles Henry Field against the recommendation of local land board in respect of his application for permission to transfer to William McEwan his conditional purchase lease, Deniliquin.

The President said: The appellant (a successful balloter) is the holder of a conditional purchase lease comprising portion 53 of 239½ acres in the parish of North Deniliquin. He applied for the land on September 13, 1906, and his application was confirmed on the 26th of that month. On June 14, 1909, he applied for permission to transfer the lease to Mr. McEwan, as "owing to bad seasons and losses in stock he has had to go into debt, and is not in a position to carry on." The Minister referred the matter to the land board, who said: "We find and report that the would-be transferee is in a solvent position, and has been permitted to live away from the subject C.P.L., 06/8, and that he is a carrier in active employment. We further find and report that no substantial reason has been shown for the proposed transfer except that a considerable pecuniary profit would accrue to the present holder. Acceptance of such a transfer would, in our opinion, have the effect of encouraging the speculative acquisition of conditional purchase leases of this nature from the Crown. We do not recommend the transfer." The doubt is whether appellant's assets included cash, stock, etc., and, if so, what the amount of cash was. If, as he says, although in a solvent condition, he cannot pay his debts without selling his bullocks, and if, as he says, the selling of his bullocks will deprive him of a livelihood, the case merits favourable consideration. I feel some hesitation about the matter, and the conclusions which the board formed are to me quite intelligible, but, reading the appellant's evidence to mean that it is necessary for him to dispose of his lease, and assuming his lease is transferable (counsel for the Minister urging that the Court is not asked for a decision under section 24 of the Act of 1908), I think the transfer might be allowed.

Commissioners Brandis and Houston concurred.

Appeal sustained. Deposit lodged with notice of appeal to be refunded.

Appeal by Thomas Pether against the finding of local land board in respect of his scrub lease application, Tamut.

The Court sustained the appeal and recommended that the land be declared scrub lands. It also directed a refund of the deposit lodged with the notice of appeal.

Appeal by Alexander T. Creswick against the recommendation of local land board in respect of Michael Rutledge's special lease applications, Hay.

The Court said: These appeals were by consent taken together. The respondent made applications for two special leases of 521 and 180 acres respectively for access to river to water stock. His applications were amended to include grazing as one of the purposes. The land board recommended granting of the lease applied for. The appellant holds the land under occupation license, and has applied on the following grounds:—1. The board, upon the evidence, should not have recommended the granting of the said special leases. 2. The applicant is not in need of the said lands, and his application is for purposes similar to that under which they are now held by the occupation licenses. The land applied for adjoins a conditional lease of 1660 acres held by the respondent. The conditional lease includes land at the back, together with a strip which connects the back land with the river. The strip gives a frontage of about 30 chains, but if the respondent obtains the land applied for he will have more land and more frontage. Stress was laid on the second ground of the appeal, but the occupation license is not a bar to the special lease, and it seems to us, weighing the matter carefully, that, on the evidence, there are not sufficient reasons to disturb the board's recommendations. The Court dismissed the appeals (Mr. Commissioner Brandis dissenting). Deposits to be refunded.

Appeal by Albert Duncan Cameron against the appraised capital value of the land comprised in his conditional purchase and conditional lease, Narrabri.

The Court dismissed the appeal. It determined the capital value of the land at £1 11s 8d per acre, the amount appraised by the board. It directed refund of the deposits lodged with the notice of appeal.

Appeal by H. A. Abbott against the appraised price of the land comprised in his original conditional purchase and conditional lease, Stroud, being a conversion of his homestead selection, No. 1904/1, Stroud.

The Court dismissed the appeal, and determined the capital value of the land at £1 13s 4d per acre, the amount appraised by the board. Deposit lodged with the notice of appeal to be refunded.

LAW NOTICES.

FRIDAY, APRIL 22.

HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA.

At Darlinghurst Courthouse.—At 10.30 a.m.: For judgment: Turner v New South Wales Mont de Piete D. and L. Co., Ltd. For hearing: The Australian Agricultural Company, Ltd., v the Council of the Municipality of Newcastle.

SUPREME COURT.

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary.—At 10 a.m.: Robinson v Robinson. At 11 a.m.: Perks, Dane, and Co., Proprietary, Ltd., v Abraham. At 2.30 p.m.: Newis v the General Accident, Fire, and Life Assurance Corporation, Ltd. At 3.15 p.m.: Woolley v Chief Commissioner for Railways and Tramways. At 3.30 p.m.: Samuel and another v Chief Commissioner for Railways and Tramways. At 3.45 p.m.: Guy v Wilson and another.

Before the Chief Clerk.—At 10.15 a.m.: Freeman v Freeman. At 10.30 a.m.: Booth v Williams. Chamber List.—At 9.30 a.m.: Before Mr. Justice Street, in No. 1 Jury Court.—Robert Reid and Co., Ltd., v Pusey, to set aside ca. re.; Ryan v Brown, to remit action to District Court. In Probate Jurisdiction.—The following accounts will be taken at the Probate Office:—James P. G. Cox, 10; John Gollan, 11; Benjamin Wolfe Levy, 12; William Marshall, 12.30.

In Equity.—Before the Chief Judge in Equity.—At 10 a.m.: Motions generally: Best v Best, originating summons; Anderson v Noble, further consideration; Manning v Osborne, originating summons; Permanent Trustee Co. v Williams, for directions; Jones v Jones, originating summons; Minister for Works and Hards, petition for payment out; Commissioners of Government Savings Bank of New South Wales re caveat of I. M. Phillips, motion to remove caveat; Walker v Cox, further consideration; Gross v Bank of New South Wales, summons for interrogatories; Hogan v Ochiltree, to be mentioned. Before Mr. Justice Street, No. 1 Jury Court.—10 a.m.: White v McLachlan (part heard). 12 noon: Selwer v Fulham and others (part heard).

Before the Master in Equity.—12 noon: Hassall v Royds, to settle minutes of decree. 12.15 p.m.: Re will of J. W. Johnston and Conveyancing Act, to settle minutes of order. 12.30 p.m.: Re H. Black and Conveyancing Act, to settle draft lease. 12.45 p.m.: Re C. Leis and Conveyancing Act, to fix reserves and commission. 2 p.m.: Tilldige v Retallack, to settle draft certificate and fix amounts due. 2.15 p.m.: Re J. B. Watt and Perpetual Trustee Company, to settle minutes of order. 2.30 p.m.: Thos. Edols and Co., Ltd., and Reduced, to settle list of creditors. 2.45 p.m.: Egan v West, to settle advertisement.

In Divorce.—Before the Judge in Divorce, in No. 1 Jury Court.—At 10.30: Motions, etc.

In Bankruptcy.—Before the Registrar.—At 10 a.m.: Creditor's petition of James Napper v Richard Gillard. Before the Chief Clerk.—At 10.15 a.m.: Taxation of costs under order of 13.4.'10, Alfred Thoren. At 10.30 a.m.: Taxation of petitioning creditor's costs, Mary Ann Dougherty. At 10.45 a.m.: Taxation of official assignee's costs, Spencer Thomson.

DISTRICT COURT.

Before his Honor Judge Murray.—At 10 a.m.: Motions generally: Staerker and another v Fischer, Taylor v Claye, Douglas v Bradley, Bancet v Simpson, Rudd and another v Young, Bridge v Wallace, the Bank of New South Wales v Green, Tidswell v Pearce, Moy v Waldock, Derry garnishee. Causes: Lenehan v Bennett (part heard), Smithers v Relph (part heard).

INDUSTRIAL COURT.

Industrial Courthouse, Queen's-square.—Before his Honor Judge Heydon.—At 10 a.m.: For hearing: Re Waterside Workers' (Deep Sea Wharf Labourers) Board, for nomination by Sydney Wharf Labourers' Union; Summonses for penalty: Waters v Wilkinson (2), same v Stewart (2).

Before the Industrial Registrar.—At 10 a.m.: Process Engravers' Union of New South Wales, application for board, for directions as to service. For hearing: Re printing (bookbinders and paper-rulers) award, reference under clause 13. At 10.30 a.m.: Re hotels, club, and restaurant employees' award, reference under clause 17 (part heard).

INDUSTRIAL BOARD.

Brushmakers' Board, Industrial Registrar's Office, Queen's-square.—Before the Chairman and Members.—At 3 p.m.: For hearing: To determine certain industrial matters.

SYDNEY QUARTER SESSIONS.

James Townsend, indecent assault; George Cambourne, receiving; Eric Arthur Williams, inflicting grievous bodily harm; Adrian de Frezan, lewdness; James Reid, embezzlement; Edward Campbell Brewer, induce by fraud endorsement of valuable security.

HOTEL LICENSES TRANSFERRED.

Yesterday afternoon the following transfers of publicans' licenses were effected at the Central Licensing Court:—Park View Hotel, Rose and Myrtle streets, Michael Toohey to Peter Peterson; Newport Hotel, Pittwater, Grace Elizabeth Greig (executrix of the will of the late James R. Greig) to James Grand National Hotel, Elizabeth-street, Paddington, David Dibble to John Brown; Elswick Hotel, Parramatta-road, Leichhardt, James Henry Steel to Samuel Wild; Rosebery Arms Hotel, Goulburn-street, William M. Hemion to William Doolan; Cambridge Hotel, Woollahra, Raymond W. Beverton to Thomas Condon; Clarendon Hotel, North Steyne, Manly, Mary W. Kilminster to Alexander Phillips; Cowper Wharf Hotel, For

BIRTHS.

SMITH.—April 14, at Tivoli, 307 Cleveland-street, Redfern, wife of Geo. H. Smith—a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

SWINBOURN—LANGHAM.—April 11, at Christ Church, Lavender Bay, Edward L. Swinbourn, of Sydney, to Laura Florence Langham, youngest daughter of the late Wm. Langham, of Langham and Langham, solicitors, Holborn, London, and Mrs. M. A. Langham, Wangaratta, M'Mahon's Point, North Sydney.

DEATHS.

ALLPORT.—April 21, 1910, at her late residence, Sherbrooke, Rosehill-street, Parramatta, Bertha Betts Allport, eldest daughter of the late Henry Curson Allport, of Staffordshire, England.

BEIGER.—April 20, 1910, Mary Jane, beloved wife of Mathew Beiger, of Botany, aged 73 years.

CARFOOT.—April 21, at Sydney Hospital, William, dearly loved husband of Mary Carfoot, of Charo, Bryant-street, Rockdale, through injuries accidentally received. At rest.

COLLIER.—April 21, at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Harvey, 17 London-street, Enmore, Catherine, widow of the late Thomas Collier, late of the Government Printing Office, aged 63 years.

HORSLEY.—April 21, at Strathmerston, Smith-street, Manly, Frank George (Pat), second son of the late John William Horsley, of Sydney.

HORNSEY.—At the Gulgong Hospital, Thomas Hornsey, aged 70 years.

WEST.—April 21, 1910, at her residence, 48 Old Canterbury-road, Lewisham, Helena Honora, dearly loved eldest daughter of Mary and the late John West. By request, no flowers. R.I.P.

IN MEMORIAM.

BROWN.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Ann Brown, late of Bombala, who departed this life April 22nd, 1908, aged 75 years.
Silently, peacefully, angels have borne thee
Into the beautiful mansions above;
There she will rest from all sorrows for ever,
Safe in the arms of God's infinite love.
Inserted by her loving daughters, E. Johnson and M. Paish.

CHI.—In loving memory of my dear mother, Hannah Chi, who departed this life April 22, 1923. Inserted by her loving daughter, Hannah Chi. Some paper please copy.

JONES.—In loving memory of our dear father, Ellis David Jones, who departed this life on April 23, 1904, aged 67 years.
The very best that God could send,
A true good father, a faithful friend.
We'll not forget him, no; we never will,
Though years roll by we love him still.
Inserted by his loving son-in-law and daughter, also granddaughter, James, Eleanor, and Gladys Cannell.

JONES.—In loving memory of our dearly beloved father and grandfather, Ellis David Jones, who departed this life April 23rd, 1904. Inserted by his loving son and daughter, Ellis and Florence Jones, and children.

MATTHEWS.—In sorrowful remembrance of my dear sister, Mrs. Mary Ann Matthews, who died April 22, 1904, at her residence, 36 Foveaux-street, Surry Hills. Sweet Jesus, have mercy on her soul. Inserted by her loving sister and brother-in-law, C. and M. Brodie, Wollongong. R.I.P.

MATTHEWS.—In loving memory of my dear aunt, Mrs. Mary Ann Matthews, who died April 22, 1904, at her late residence, 36 Foveaux-street, Surry Hills. Sweet Jesus, have mercy on her soul. Inserted by her loving nephew, Henry Tollen. R.I.P.

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MOSSOP.—In loving memory of our dear father, John Woodward Mossop, who departed this life April 22, at his residence, Islington, Newcastle, age 58 years. At rest. Inserted by his loving daughter and son-in-law, H. E. G. P. Powell, Rozelle.

MULLINS.—A tribute of love to the memory of our beloved son and brother, Willie, who fell asleep in Christ April 22, 1905, at R.P.A. Hospital, after a short but painful illness. Inserted by his parents, brothers, and sisters, Lizzie, Ted, Daisy, Jim, and Jack.
The dead in Christ are first to rise,
At that last trumpet's sounding;
Caught up to meet Him in the skies,
With joy the Lord surrounding.

MYERS.—In remembrance of our darling Violet Irene, who died at Hill End, April 22nd, 1908, aged 5 years. Inserted by her loving mother, father, and sisters.

NORRIE.—In loving memory of my dear wife and our dear mother, Elizabeth Norrie, who departed this life 6th April 22nd, 1909. Inserted by her loving husband and children.

PARTON.—In loving memory of our dear father, Thomas Parton, who departed this life April 22, 1905, at his residence, 241 Crown-road, Ultimo, aged 51 years.
Released from sorrow, sin, and pain,
And freed from every care,
By angels' hands to heaven conveyed,
To rest for ever there.
R.I.P. Inserted by his loving sons, daughters, and daughters-in-law, Thomas, Jack, George, Richard, William, Ruth, Blanch, and Florrie and Emma Parton.

SMITH.—In sad but loving memory of our dear daughter and sister, Lillie Beatrice Smith, who departed this life April 22nd, 1908. Inserted by her loving parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith, brothers, and sisters.

STURBINE.—In loving memory of our dear father, Samuel R. Stubbins, who departed this life April 22nd, 1908. Inserted by his daughter and son-in-law, Amy and E. Weiner.

VINCENT.—In loving memory of our dear father and mother, Anthony and Johanna, who departed this life April 21st, 1883, and April 22nd, 1904. Ralph, but not forgotten. Inserted by their loving son and daughter-in-law, Joseph and Margaret, and his daughter, Rose. R.I.P.

WASSALL (nee RALPH).—In sad and loving remembrance of our dear and only daughter, Beatrice Mary, who departed this life at Phillip-street, Alexandria, 22nd April, 1899, aged 22 years. Inserted by her loving father and mother, James and M. A. Ralph.

WHITE.—In sad but loving memory of our dear son, George Robert, who departed this life April 22, 1908, aged 16 years 7 months. Inserted by his loving father and mother, David and Harriet White. At rest.

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MR. CYRIL M. COOPER, Dentist, has REMOVED to Macquarie-chambers, 182 Macquarie-st.
DENTAL ASSISTANT, of 39 Darlinghurst-rd, has Resumed Practice.

The Sydney Morning Herald.
FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 1910.

DEMOCRACY OR SOCIALISM.

There were roughly not far short of a quarter of a million electors in New South Wales who voted the Labour ticket for the Senate; there were roughly some ten thousand who voted for straight-out socialism, perhaps with no very clear idea of what straight-out socialism meant, or how it was to be achieved. In West Sydney, as another example, some six hundred odd electors who recorded their votes out of a total of some nineteen thousand were in favour of "revolutionary socialism." With all due respect to revolutionary socialists, we think they do not count for much in Australia, nor do they show signs of being likely to do so. The defeated socialists may allege that Labour discipline was too much for them, and that they have many sympathisers who voted the Labour ticket. But is this quite likely? We know that Labour is often keenly dissatisfied with its Parliamentary representatives, whom, indeed, at times it will roundly denounce, and when we add this dissatisfaction to the burning zeal of the socialist gospel it seems that more should be heard of extreme socialism at the polls if it really had any substantial hold in Australia. The point is one that Mr. Fisher and his friends will do well to ponder. The left wing of Labour, we know, inclines in a hazy, unreasoned way towards anarchy, but how much does this wing really count for in the strength of the party? Is it worth while to alienate sympathy by pandering to its prejudices by throwing it an occasional sop, which cannot satisfy, and which is sure to arouse hostility and disgust among the average electors whose strength turns the scale? However much unreasoning class prejudice there is among some supporters of Labour—and it is idle to deny that feeling is very strong—on the whole we think socialism, either revolutionary or confiscatory, is hardly worth placating.

It hardly needs a prophet to foretell that before long Mr. Fisher will have to make a stand between democracy and demagogy, and with all its passion for democracy we fancy Labour has little love for the demagogue. Mr. Fisher is to some extent master of his destiny. He can make his own choice. But it is to be hoped he will at least be astute enough not to fall into ultra-socialist hands, and not to arouse bitterness by ineffective oblations on the altar of prejudice, such, for instance, as a tax on passengers on ships with coloured crews would be. Labour has surely a large enough field within safe democratic limits. In the light of its history we shall not be surprised if it leans too much to governmentalism, or if it expects more from legislation than legislation can perform. But these are errors that no long course of experience will, or ought to, correct. The dividing line between Liberalism and Labour at this point is really harder to define than it looks. Liberalism, remembering its traditions, is inclined to label itself individualist; but it is individualism with a difference. Within reasonable limits we see that the functions of the State must increase. The real crux is whether we are making the State do more work for all its units, or whether we are exploiting it for one section of the community. A certain amount of hypocrisy is perhaps unavoidable in politics. Let us be as little hypocritical as we can. Labour has made mistakes in the past. It is quite likely to make more. But there is only one absolutely fatal mistake it can make, and that would be to array itself in short-lived triumph against the community at large.

BUDGET AND VETO.

The reform Budget which was thrown out by the House of Lords last year has again passed successfully the critical stage in the House of Commons, and though the majority it commanded was nothing like the overwhelming numbers which approved of it last year, still that majority is little short of the normal figures, no matter which party has been in power, of the last half-century. In a full House Mr. Asquith, counting the Independent Nationalists with the Opposition, can reckon on 103 votes to the good, and as since 1857 the highest Liberal majority, with the exception of the abnormal Parliament of 1906, has been 116, the present Cabinet can consider itself for all purposes of Liberal legislation as strong in the House of Commons as any of its immediate predecessors. The "Times" writes as though the majority of 81 which passed the Budget, certainly the lowest majority for the Government on an important division this session, will suffer further diminution, but it is the Tory wish being father to the thought. Against the Budget, as it affected Ireland, the Independent Nationalists, led by Mr. O'Brien and Mr. T. Healy, have thrown all their weight. They wanted concessions which would affect Ireland alone, which would relieve the well-to-do Irish of some of the increased taxation, while that increased taxation would still be imposed on the well-to-do and wealthy citizens of the rest of the Kingdom. The Liberal party has sacrificed much for Ireland. In legislation it has discriminated in favour of Ireland's poor, but in taxation to discriminate in favour of Ireland's rich would, putting it on the lowest basis, only court disaster. So the Independent Nationalists having voted against the Budget, the utmost strength of parties has been shown, and in the House of Commons the Government's majority will not go lower if Ministers prove their determination of pressing onward in the work of ensuring before all measures that the will of the people as expressed by the House of Commons shall prevail.

The Lords professed by their rejection of the Budget to refer the measure to the people, and although Lord Curzon, who has assumed the role of leader, next to Lord Lansdowne, in the Upper Chamber, has declared that the people's will as expressed in the general election is against the Budget, the Commons' majority directly negatives his declaration. A week hence the Commons will pass the Finance Bill, in which is incorporated the Budget proposals, and it will be sent to the Lords. What will the Lords do? They can only bow to the inevitable and accept the bill, but before they do that the Government proposes to present to them the resolutions which have already passed the Commons for destroying the veto of the Upper House in financial matters, and for greatly curtailing it in other legislation. Lord Rosebery has down for discussion another series of resolutions, which propose the reform, not of the procedure, but of the constitution of the House. The Government desires the debates on the two sets of resolutions to take place separately. Lord Rosebery, and in this he has the great majority of the House behind him, wants one debate. The whole struggle is over the question whether the power of the House of Lords shall be weakened or strengthened. Since the middle eighties, sometimes the leaders, and sometimes the rank and file, have aggrandised the powers of that House. The Tory leaders have now seized upon the cry of reform as an opportunity of embodying that aggrandisement of power in the Constitution. From its very composition and surroundings of its members the House of Lords, in considering the advanced legislation of these days, must be strongly Tory, and unless some curb is put upon its powers Liberal Governments of the future will exist by its sufferance. That the Lords will accept Mr. Asquith's resolutions is not for one moment expected in this Parliament, at any rate. They will, if they can, force another dissolution in the last desperate hope that in further appeal the people may show them some favour. If Mr. Asquith has obtained, or can obtain, guarantees from the Crown, he can force the Lords to do his bidding. If guarantees are not forthcoming he must appeal to the electorate, or give a Tory Ministry the chance to govern.

THE NORTH-SOUTH CONTINENTAL.

It is very satisfactory to note that the Queensland Government contemplates definite action in furtherance of the railway scheme for connecting Port Darwin with the south and east of the continent. Feature surveys have been ordered for linking up the western terminals of the existing Queensland systems, with provision for a connection with the Gulf of Carpentaria at Burketown and with the Northern Territory section somewhere in the vicinity of Camooweal. The importance to Queensland of an unbroken north-and-south line traversing the far-western country, and bringing it into direct railway touch with four shipping ports on the east coast and one on the north, is obviously so great that, in ordinary circumstances, the northern State would be quite justified in entering upon the enterprise quite independently. Such a line would not only give an enormous impetus to the development of rich mineral belts, but would double the productive capabilities of the prodigious area of pastoral country through which it would run. Considered, therefore, in relation to the material interests of Queensland alone, its construction would be an act of large statesmanship. It is highly important, however, that it should be considered in its relation to the broader necessities of the Commonwealth. It should be viewed, not as part of a State system, but as a section of a great national road which, extending across to Port Darwin on the north, and through western New South Wales on the south, could be ultimately joined with the trunk lines of Victoria and South Australia, and through the latter with the proposed other great line west to Perth. Thus all the capitals and most of the ports of the mainland would be brought directly into communication.

The section through Queensland territory, however, could scarcely fit into such a comprehensive scheme—a scheme essential to an effective defence policy, as Lord Kitchener has lately suggested—if it is built to the same pattern as the other Queensland lines which tap the interior. It must be built as part of a trunk line capable of carrying express traffic, and it must be of standard gauge. Necessarily a line of this character would be more costly than the lighter narrow-gauge constructions, which most probably are in contemplation by the Queensland Government, and the question of providing for a coming standard gauge railway could perhaps be best met by making the cuttings, bridges, and embankments wide enough for that purpose. This has already been done in the twenty odd miles of line laid between Southport and Tweed Heads on the southern border of Queensland, though the track itself is still the narrow one. The important thing is that the Government of Queensland should view the contemplated line through western Queensland as an important part of the north-south continental, and should lay her plans accordingly. It has to be remembered that the alternative to this line is the direct connection between Oodnadatta and Pine Creek, which South Australia vainly sought to impose as a condition of the transfer of the Northern Territory. If South Australia chooses to build that line herself, as she threatens to do, she will be welcome to all the benefits derivable therefrom. But if a national line is to be built it must serve the Commonwealth interest primarily, and beyond all reasonable argument that interest can be served best by the line which commands the systems of the eastern States.

THE INSURANCE COMMISSION.

The full text of the report of the Royal Commission on Insurance will have to be carefully considered before its recommendations can receive unqualified assent. The report is necessarily lengthy and complex, and its provisions require looking at twice before their effect and incidence is clear. As to some of them, no doubt expert opinion will differ a good deal. We all agree that there should be supervision and control of insurance companies doing business in Australia, more particularly so in the case of foreign companies whose principal assets are elsewhere; and no doubt the best way of doing this is through a Federal Act and an Insurance Commissioner. As a precautionary measure we may agree that something like that is required, and we should be following sound precedents if the recommendations of the Commission are adopted. The question is precisely how far it is wise to go. In endeavouring to protect the public there is always the danger of doing something that will act in restraint of legitimate trade, and the broad principle should be that the interference should be on the minimum basis consistent with safety. In legislating upon any matters of trade or commerce there should be palpable abuses before drastic remedies are applied, or the effect may be that of an overdose of a specific remedy, possibly poisonous, for a disease that does not exist. Such caution is all the more necessary in a complicated case, such as insurance business, where all the effects of the best-meant legislation will certainly not be anticipated, and where consequently some of them may prove injurious in quite unsuspected ways.

In the interests of the companies themselves uniform legislation for the Commonwealth is imperative, and this can only be secured by a Federal Act. At present there is little or no legislation in New South Wales, but all the other States have more or less, and in consequence make varying demands on the companies, which, in the aggregate, are expensive and annoying to fulfil. Uniform legislation will eliminate this trouble, while at the same time all returns will be comparable, whereas now they are far from being so. An insurance commission is an almost necessary corollary of uniform legislation, though this innovation is not likely to be very popular with the companies. So far as we at present see, the recommendations go rather beyond the English Acts quoted by way of precedent, and the tendency may be to give a Government hallmark to companies that in open competition would fail to command business. This perhaps is not a very serious danger, and in any case there is justification for the licensing and registration proposals, and for the furnishing of substantial guarantees. Those named are perhaps rather higher than necessary, but no particular hardship is inflicted by them, inasmuch as the required deposit is really a safe and reasonable investment of funds in Government securities—a course that would in any case be followed by a sound concern to a considerable extent. Such of the other details as we have so far before us seem sufficiently reasonable, and on the whole the report may be taken as representing an advance towards a real gain in insurance law. Details may be modified under criticism, and due weight should be allowed to objections before a Federal bill is drafted. Otherwise the Commission has done good work.

THE COST OF BUILDING.

The demand of the Sydney bricklayers for a further advance in wages, coming on top of the lately satisfied demands of some other trades, brings into view the increasing cost of building. Taking Australia as a whole there probably has never been a time when the building trades were more active than they are at present. There may have been periods of greater local activity, as, for instance, in Melbourne when the fever of speculation was at its height; or in Perth when the goldfields were opening out; but at this time there is much new construction in progress in every city of the Commonwealth, and in Sydney most of all. Great building activity is usually an accompaniment of general prosperity, and prosperity ordinarily implies a high level of wages. In Sydney to-day the wages of builders' artisans are high, and, in the main, they are so because the demand for this class of labour happens to be in excess of the supply, and partly because of the adjustments of the industrial tribunals. But while the increased cost of labour is reflected in building tenders it only partly accounts for the very marked advance in the building costs of to-day as compared with those ruling in Sydney only a few years back. Over a period of five to seven years experts variously estimate the cost of building to have risen from 25 to 30 per cent. In largest part the rise is due to the enhanced cost of raw materials. In the recurring popular discussions as to the causes of the higher cost of living in New South Wales, particularly as applying to the prices of food, the tariff has been often blamed for advances with which it has nothing to do. But as far as building is concerned it is indisputable that the tariff must bear its share of the blame.

Other than bricks and stone, most of the materials used in construction are subject to heavy duties, and are dearer to the extent of those duties. Of all our industries the building industry seems to have been affected by the tariff at most points. But even so there have been still other causes of the enhanced prices of material. There are combines, for instance. Bricks are now sold in Sydney at strict convention rates, and these rates, it is almost needless to say, are very much above the general level of prices which obtained before. Timber likewise is to a large extent subject to an "honourable understanding." In the case of bricks the higher wages of employees may account for some of the advance, though it is difficult to suggest the proportion. With timber the position is not quite the same. Whether we take our own hardwoods or the softwoods most usually imported, considerations of supply have largely determined prices. Timber is dearer the world over, for the very simple reason that it is being consumed at a faster rate than it is being produced. But whatever the sum of the causes which are conspiring to increase the cost of building in this country, it is inevitable that that increased cost must be covered by increased rents, and, whether the rents are payable for business premises or dwellings, they are a charge on incomes. Thus we get back again to the problem which is puzzling so many heads in Australia, as in several other countries just now, namely, how it is that while wages are higher than they used to be they purchase relatively so much less.

Saturday's "Herald."—On account of the large amount of advertising matter which has to be dealt with for Saturday's issue of the "Herald," advertisers and agents are requested to send in their advertisements as early as possible to-day, in order to facilitate classification.

Bankers' Institute of New South Wales.—The expansion of business in New South Wales led to the comment at the annual general meeting of the Institute of Bankers last night upon the fact that there is a falling-off in the applications for service in the banks. The circumstance that the people have been giving a freer rein to the spirit of enterprise, the report of the council said, was responsible for the ready absorption of the youths as they matured from year to year. The president, Mr. J. Russell French, alluded to the topic in an address which he delivered to the members. He thought the lull in applications only a passing phase. A banking life, he considered, presented sufficiently good prospects for a young man who was going into the clerical line. Examinations in the intermediate and final divisions for the institute's associate diploma were held in August, when six candidates passed in the intermediate and four in the final division. It is understood that special recognition has been made by the banks in which the candidates are employed by way of approval and encouragement. Much is being done by the institute to help make the life attractive at its home in Ocean House. It affords excellent opportunity to the bank officers to avail themselves of the pleasures of social intercourse and recreation, though facilities for study form an important part in the objects of the institution. The presidential address touched on many topics connected with business. One applicable particularly to banking was the new silver coinage of the Commonwealth. Some stir was being made, the speaker remarked, in New Zealand about its acceptance there. But it could hardly find its way to the Dominion in any quantity, because people did not carry much silver as a rule. No doubt suitable arrangements would be made by the Federal Government for the transfer to this side of what little was carried by tourists, and by the banks for its acceptance. Mr. French was re-elected president of the institute, and Messrs. T. A. Dibbs, James Henderson, A. P. Stewart, and O. C. Williams vice-presidents.

The Foreshores.—A piece of land at Edwards Bay, Middle Harbour, having a water frontage of 250ft., with a frontage of 108ft. to Fairfax-road, was bought on behalf of the Government for £780 at an auction sale held on Saturday. The land is at the north end of the Edwards Bay resumption, which it immediately adjoins, and makes an excellent picnic ground. It is to be included in the park dedication.

The Cremorne Tram.—At the last meeting of the North Sydney Council a resolution was carried that the Minister for Works should be urged to expedite the construction of a tramway from Military-road as far as the southern end of Milson's-road, Cremorne, and that the construction of a line from the end of Milson's-road to the wharf should be made the subject of a later tender and contract. When this matter was brought under his notice yesterday, the Minister for Works said that he had explained the position to the Mayor of North Sydney, and had pointed out that the work could not be undertaken in piecemeal fashion. It was his intention to put it in hand as a whole, and no time would be lost in carrying it on to completion.

Unionists Need Not Apply.—The Labour Council has no love for people who prefer to employ non-unionists in preference to union men. This was again shown last night. A delegate from the Australian Vaudeville Artists' Association said an advertisement had appeared in a newspaper for an artist to apply with his music at a certain hall, "no A.V.A. artist required." His association took such an advertisement as a direct insult, and therefore laid the matter before the Labour Council. One delegate proposed that the labour leagues in the suburbs where the advertiser's show appeared be asked to assist in boycotting the show. It was pointed out that such a course would be illegal, and a motion was adopted to the effect that the council recommend unions and leagues to support shows where unionists were engaged.

Tutmondo Katolika Unuigo.—This is part of an announcement that an all-the-world congress of Roman Catholic Esperantists is now sitting in Paris. Lieutenant-Colonel John Pollen, LL.D., C.I.E., president of the British Esperanto Association, stated yesterday that those who affirmed that Esperanto was not accepted by Catholics were in error. He had just received word of the meeting of this great congress, at which no fewer than 45 nations would be present. All the addresses and debates would be in the new language, and the president of the conference would be a Catholic dignitary named Monsignor Amette.

"A Sensitive Lift."—A witness before the Lift Attendants' Wages Board last night was cross-examined at considerable length regarding the length of time it would take a lad of average intelligence to become proficient in the management of a lift. In his own case six months were required, and he now carried between 400 and 500 persons daily. But he did not know anything about the Scaffolding and Lifts Act regulations. The witness subsequently admitted that a boy should be able to drive a goods elevator in one month, but a "very sensitive lift could not be mastered in less than six months."

The Socialistic Pigs.—A deputation representing pig-raisers and poultry farmers complained to the Minister for Works yesterday that the State Labour Farm in Bunnerong-road, Randwick, was securing all the offal from certain Government and semi-public institutions, and entering into unfair competition with private enterprise. Exception was also taken to what was described as the "very low rate of wages paid at the institution." Mr. Lee assured the deputation that all the labour employed at the State Farm "was not of the half-a-crown-a-week character." Last year the expenditure, exclusive of manager's salary, was £716. The institution was just about paying its way. He had been under the impression that all hospitals, gaols, asylums, etc., called for tenders for the purchase of offal, but he would have further inquiries made.

Balmoral Tram Line.—Yesterday the Minister for Works (Mr. Lee) told a deputation that he had decided to recommend to the Cabinet that the proposal to extend the Mosman tram to Balmoral, via Gordon-street, be submitted to the Public Works Committee. The Railway Commissioners, said the Minister, were of opinion that the line should go via Beaconsfield-road. He had been over the whole district, and had come to the conclusion that the Gordon-street route was preferable to any other. "I hope, so far as the route is concerned, that you will stop the agitation."

American Strikers Congratulated.—A letter from the committee controlling the seamen's strike on the Great Lakes (Canada) was received last night by the Labour Council. It reviewed the history of the strike, which, it alleged, "was brought about by an attempt on the part of the shipowners to compel the union men to hand over their union books and cards to the employers, and to pledge themselves never to again join a labour union as long as they sailed for a living." The "welfare plan" passports of the Lake carriers (employers), which were obtained only after registration of the holder's name, personal appearance, and history, were intended to keep the seamen under the constant control of the shipowners, whether they were employed or not. The strike was intended to prevent this. The seamen asked union men everywhere to pass the word along that there was a strike on the Great Lakes, and to advise all unemployed workers to keep away. At the instance of Mr. Cooper (secretary of the Seamen's Union) a motion was carried "congratulating the Great Lakes seamen on their magnificent fight during the past 12 months."

A meeting of the executive committee of the Employers' Federation of New South Wales was held yesterday, Mr. A. H. Moore being in the chair. The Federal Navigation Bill was further discussed as to its effect upon State shipping. The award of Mr. Justice Higgins in the boot manufacturers' case was again given considerable attention.

The Railway Department has informed Mr. J. Storey, M.L.A., that in regard to the extension of the Darling-street section of the Balmain tramway, the Chief Commissioner has approved of the section being extended from Darling-street to the Rozelle Post-office when some shunting facilities required at the latter point have been provided. These will be put in hand as soon as possible.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN POLITICS.

LABOUR OR LIBERAL?

FALLING BACK ON THE SPEAKER.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The Premier (Mr. Peake), who has been ill for a long time, was present at the former, and after the meeting he stated that it was the intention of the Government to meet Parliament. There was no analogy between the position of the Federal and State Parliaments, as Mr. Deakin had been overwhelmingly defeated, while the Labour party in South Australia had the barest majority, even if it secured the Flinders seat, which was not yet certain.

Mr. Verran (leader of the Labour party) was not present at his party's meeting. It is understood that there are other aspirants for the position of Labour Premier.

After the question of the resignation of the Ministry the most important topic is that of the Speakership. Many Ministerialists think that Sir Jenkin Coles, who has the world's record for the Speakership, should come down on to the floor of the House, which would prevent a Labour Government having a Constitutional majority to carry adult suffrage for the Legislative Council. The Labour party, however, is keen for the re-election of Sir Jenkin Coles.

NIPPING DISPUTES IN BUD.

STATEMENT BY MR. JUSTICE HIGGINS.

"AVOID A LOT OF USELESS TALK."

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

At the beginning of his address on behalf of the claimants in the case of the Marine Stewards and Pantrymen in the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration to-day, Mr. Arthur argued in the affirmative as to the actual existence of a dispute within the jurisdiction of this Court.

Mr. Justice Higgins: I wish the Legislature would amend the Act by allowing me to exercise the constitutional function of preventing disputes, of dealing with matters before there is a dispute, as well as the constitutional function of settling a dispute.

Mr. Arthur: That would remove a lot of technical troubles.

Mr. Justice Higgins: It would avoid a lot of useless talk. There is no doubt, it would be of great advantage if parties would have their difficulties settled before matters develop into a full dispute; the constitutional power exists, but the Act does not give this Court power to cite parties, and make a compulsory order for the purpose of preventing a dispute.

BREAK OF GAUGE.

"ABSURD, CONTEMPTIBLE SYSTEM."

MANUFACTURERS' VIEW.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The conference of the Associated Chambers of Manufactures of Australia resumed its session on Thursday, and disposed of the remaining business on the agenda paper.

Mr. Joshua (Vic.) moved:—"That in the opinion of this conference the federation of Australia is incomplete, and opportunities of social and material advancement are neglected so long as the railway systems of the various States remain for the most part a series of unlinked lines constructed on different gauges, and therefore one of the first duties of an interstate commission when appointed should be to carefully examine this problem, and suggest practical remedies." The progress of Australia would be retarded until its railways were brought to a uniform gauge.

One of the delegates interjected something about "interstate enmity."

Mr. Joshua said that the attitude of France to Germany was more rational than that of Victoria to New South Wales. From the purely railway point of view, Australians were so familiar with the present absurd, contemptible, and backward condition involved in the breaks of gauge that it did not impress itself upon them as upon visitors to the Commonwealth.

Mr. Cleland (S.A.) seconded the motion, which was carried.

On the motion of Mr. Cleland, seconded by Mr. Forwood (S.A.), the following motion was adopted, the only dissentient being Mr. C. Russen (Tas.):—"That in the opinion of this conference the continued and growing interference by the Government workshops with private manufacturers is a decided menace to the industrial life of the Commonwealth."

A BRILLIANT METEOR.

"EXPLOSION AND RUMBLING NOISE."

BRISBANE, Thursday.

A report from Togoolowah states that a remarkably brilliant meteor was observed there on Wednesday night, just before 9 o'clock. The sky was brightly illuminated for miles around by a meteor, which seemed to come from the Zenith and travel in a westerly direction. About three minutes afterwards there was an explosion similar to a clap of thunder, followed by a rumbling noise from the direction in which the meteor had travelled. A little later a train from Esk came in, and the driver, fireman, and guard reported having seen the meteor, but had not heard the explosion. A telephone message from Toowoomba stated that the meteor had been observed there though the explosion had not been heard.

FATAL PEA-RIFLE ACCIDENT.

WALLERAWANG, Thursday.

The lad Claude Pirie, of Lidsdale, who accidentally shot himself with a pea-rifle on Sunday last, died from the effects of the bullet after lingering for 24 hours.

TO-DAY.

BRITISH BUDGET.

COMMONS ADOPT RESOLUTIONS.

PASSAGE BY GUILLOTINE.

ATTEMPT ON INCREMENT TAX.

LONDON, April 21.

The House of Commons yesterday adopted the Budget resolutions by a majority of 81. The Redmondites voted in favour of the resolutions and the O'Brienites opposed.

The debate was of a lively character. In regard to the amendment of the clause imposing a tax on increased land value, the Opposition declared that the new phraseology of the Government did not exempt agricultural land from the increment tax.

Viscount Helmsley (Unionist) moved an amendment specifically excluding all land used for agriculture from the operation of the increment tax.

Mr. Lloyd-George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said that the acceptance of the amendment would be equivalent to abandoning the tax, since land near towns would escape payment altogether. To call this agricultural land would be a mockery and a sham.

The amendment was defeated by a majority of 96 votes, the division being—

For the amendment	248
Against	344

The financial resolutions were then automatically passed, and the Finance Bill was introduced and read the first time.

THE ESTIMATED SURPLUS.

MINIMISED BY "TIMES."

The "Times" states that Mr. Lloyd-George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, estimates the loss in income tax at £350,000, and the interest on borrowings £350,000, the latter representing the price the country pays for the Government's notions of dignity.

The "Times" contends that the probable surplus will be really only £250,000, as Mr. Lloyd-George is not justified in counting in £2,700,000 taken from the sinking fund.

THE LICENSING DUTIES

A HEAVY YIELD.

At the last licensing sessions the trade paid £2,000,000 in duties. According to Mr. Lloyd-George, another £2,100,000 is collectable in July, and £4,000,000 in October, but according to the trade the total, including October, 1909, to October, 1910, is £9,000,000.

NEW YORK MURDER.

TRIAL OF WOLTER.

EVIDENCE OF TERRIBLE STRUGGLE.

LONDON, April 21 (12.5 a.m.).

A sensation was created in court during the trial of Albert Wolter in New York, who is charged with the murder of Ruth Wheeler in his flat.

The medical evidence obtained at the post-mortem examination disclosed scientific proof that the burning of the body contributed to the death of the girl, and the microscope showed that she had been assaulted.

The police produced the girl's clenched right hand clutching a mass of burnt hair, which was not her own, in proof that there had been a terrible struggle.

INVASION OF MILAN.

BY NEAPOLITAN CRIMINALS.

ARMED RUFFIANS ARRESTED.

LONDON, April 21.

Owing to the extraordinary increase of hooliganism in Milan, the police have organised armed patrol bands, which are arresting hundreds of men nightly. Many of the arrested men are ex-convicts armed with revolvers and daggers.

The majority of these hooligans are Southerners, who are taking refuge in Milan in consequence of a military campaign against the "Camorra" (a blackmailing society) in the Neapolitan provinces.

LORD KITCHENER'S TOUR.

OMISSION OF CANADA.

LONDON, April 20.

Questioned in the Canadian House of Commons as to why Lord Kitchener had neglected to follow the All Red route in his tour, the Premier, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, replied that Lord Kitchener had not been invited to visit Canada, but there was no official reason why he should not have visited Canada.

RUBBER AND OIL BOOM.

REACTION PREDICTED.

LONDON, April 20.

Further oil and rubber companies have been launched.

Several newspapers predict an early reaction. Some rubber prices dropped today.

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Prospectuses of nine rubber and oil companies, with a capital aggregating 2,400,000, were issued to-day.

RUBBER CULTURE IN QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

Some time ago the Queensland Government obtained a number of rubber seeds and plants. These were installed at the Kamerunga nursery, where they have done very well. A number of young plants have been distributed to various people. Three or four plantations have been established in North Queensland, where the trees are flourishing. The State opinion is that any extensive cultivation of rubber in Queensland would scarcely pay, owing to the high price of white labour as compared with black.

COTTON SPINNING TRADE.

REDUCTION IN WAGES.

LONDON, April 20.

The Federation of Master Cotton-spinners has decided to recommend members to demand 5 per cent. reduction in wages, on the ground that two advances of 5 per cent. during the boom should be given back now that trade is depressed.

VATICAN DISPLEASURE.

LONDON, April 20.

The Rev. Father Janssen, a Belgian priest, residing in Italy, has been ordered to resign the offices held by him at the Vatican, and retire to a monastery for three months, because he spontaneously wrote thanking Mr. Roosevelt for his services to Roman Catholics in America.

It is unofficially reported in Rome that the Papal Nuncio in Vienna has been recalled for visiting Mr. Roosevelt.

VETO OR REFORM.

FIXING DATE OF DEBATE.

FOR LORDS' DECISION.

LONDON, April 20.

The Earl of Crewe, Secretary of State for the Colonies, announced in the House of Lords to-day that the motion for the second reading of the Finance Bill would be moved on the 28th instant, then there would be a three-weeks' recess, and the discussion on the veto resolution would take place on May 24, when the text of the bill would be published. Lord Rosebery's resolutions for reform of the House of Lords might be discussed before the recess.

Lord Rosebery afterwards announced the postponement of his resolutions until the first day after the recess (May 25).

Lord St. Aldwyn, speaking at Londonderry, spoke in support of Lord Rosebery's suggestion that the next election should be fought on the issue of the House of Lords alone.

RUMOURS OF COMPROMISE.

LIBERALS' POWER IN THE LORDS.

LONDON, April 21.

The "Times," commenting upon the vague rumours of a possible compromise on the question of the Lords, writes that the temper of both parties is unfavourable to such a course; but if the Ministerial coalition suffers a further diminution of its majority without actual defeat, both sides may be ready to come to terms if reasonable means are devised to secure more power in the House of Lords for a Liberal administration.

SUPPORT FROM CONSTITUENCIES.

ENTHUSIASM AMONG LIBERALS.

The executive committee of the National Liberal Federation, in view of the unprecedented number of resolutions which it has received from affiliated associations, has resolved to assure Mr. Asquith of the enthusiastic support of the Liberal party in the constituencies in support of his veto policy.

THE NEXT ELECTION.

PLEDGED MINERS' CANDIDATES.

LONDON, April 20.

The miners of Northumberland have decided by a small majority to run labour candidates for Morpeth and Wansbeck at the next Parliamentary elections in opposition to Messrs. Burt and Fenwick, Liberal-Labour members, who refuse to sign the pledge.

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE.

KITCHENER MEMORANDUM CRITICISED.

DISCIPLINE OF COMPULSORY TRAINING.

LONDON, April 21.

Sir George Reid has issued Lord Kitchener's memorandum on the defence of Australia to the London press. Several newspapers contain leaders on the memorandum and summaries of its contents.

The "Morning Post" writes that the cardinal principal of the memorandum is applicable to Great Britain. Seven years hence Australians will have insensibly learned the meaning of discipline. This education will gradually transfigure the social and political life of the Commonwealth, and will give a new significance to the spiritual bond uniting it to the Empire.

HORSES FOR THE ARMY.

STATE RANCHES IN DOMINIONS.

LONDON, April 21.

Mr. R. B. Haldane, Secretary of State for War, speaking in the House of Commons last night, in reply to Mr. H. B. Harrison-Broadley (Unionist), said that though there was no shortage of horses for the peace requirements of the army the Government was considering a scheme to establish Government-owned horse ranches in Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa, but expense and other difficulties had hitherto prevented a definite conclusion being reached.

The peace requirements of the Army are 2000 horses a year. In the South African War 400,000 horses were wanted. At a recent meeting of horsebreeders called to support a proposal to earmark suitable horses, so that they should be reserved for the Army if wanted, Lord Rosebery said that France spent £300,000 a year in encouraging horse-breeding; Germany and Austria spent about £200,000 each; while Great Britain only spent a beggarly £5000 a year. More money, therefore, was required, and he did not think it unreasonable to demand it. If war broke out, the foreign market would be closed to Britain, and she would be dependent upon herself and the colonies, and it must be remembered that colonial horses in such conditions could only reach Britain under a strong naval escort, which would be a very big thing. At the outbreak of war at least 170,000 horses would be required for the Army and the Territorial Force, and that number would probably have to be replaced at the end of six months, and every six months afterwards, owing to the wastage of war. At a recent dinner of the National Defence Association, Mr. Egan, a large horse dealer, said that he himself had sent no fewer than 37,000 horses out of the country. If they could do anything to stop that drain they would be rendering a great service to the nation.

CHINESE CUSTOMS.

SIR R. BREDON RESIGNS.

LONDON, April 21.

Sir Robert Bredon, Acting Inspector-General of Chinese Maritime Customs, has retired from the Chinese service owing to differences with the Chinese Government.

The "Times" writes that the moment is favourable for securing an Inspector-General who will have unimpaired authority as before the decree of May 9, 1906.

By the decree of May, 1906, High Commissioners were appointed for the control of the Chinese Maritime Customs, in spite of the fact that guarantees had been given in the loan agreements of 1896 and 1898 that no change should be made in the then existing state of things so long as British trade exceeded that of the other Powers. Sir Robert Hart was given leave from the Inspector-Generalship in 1908, but there have been statements lately that he may resume

UNITED STATES POLITICS.

REPUBLICAN DEFEAT.

LONDON, April 20.

Mr. Havens (Democrat) defeated Mr. Aldridge, the Republican boss, in a contest to fill the seat of the late Mr. Perkins for the Thirty-second Congressional District of New York State.

ANTWERP WOOL SALES.

LONDON, April 21.

Antwerp wool sales closed yesterday. Prices of merinos and fine crossbreds were unchanged. Ordinary crossbreds were neglected. 6784 bales of La Plata wool were offered and 1747 were sold.

CANADIAN NAVY.

TO BE LOCALLY BUILT.

IF PRICES PERMIT.

LONDON, April 21.

The Canadian Navy Bill was read the third time in the Canadian House of Commons last night by a majority of 41, the division being—

Ayes	111
Noes	70

Mr. W. S. Fielding, the Minister for Finance, said it was doubtful whether they could build a navy in Canada. He would not say that this should be done regardless of cost; but if they could be built at a fairly generous advance on British prices the ships would be built in Canada.

The Canadian Navy Bill provides for the early construction of a fleet composed of two cruisers of the Bristol class (4800 tons protected), three of the Boadicea class (3300 tons unarmoured), and six of the improved "river" class. This year there would be an appropriation of £600,000. The total cost will be £2,338,000 in construction in Britain. The cost of construction in Canada is estimated at 22 per cent. extra.

EXPLOSION IN A MINE.

FORTY MEN ENTOMBED.

LONDON, April 21, 11.20 a.m.

An explosion took place yesterday in the Mulga mine, near Birmingham, Alabama.

Forty miners were entombed, and it is reported that of these 25 are dead.

LORD KITCHENER.

PRAISES NEW YORK GIRLS.

LONDON, April 21.

Lord Kitchener has sailed from New York for England.

The American Yellow press, in great headlines, announces the statement of Lord Kitchener to a reporter that New York girls are the prettiest he ever saw.

MARK TWAIN'S ILLNESS.

CONDITION SERIOUS.

LONDON, April 21.

Mr. S. L. Clemens (Mark Twain) has had another attack of angina pectoris. His condition is serious.

SOUTH AFRICAN MINISTRY.

APPEAL FOR NON-PARTY CABINET.

LONDON, April 21.

Mr. E. M. Green, Minister for Railways of Natal, has appealed for the formation of a non-party provisional union Ministry. He says that if General Botha, Premier of Transvaal, is prepared to form such a Ministry, independent of the present parties, Natal will give him as loyal support as to an Englishman.

SMALL HOLDINGS.

COMPENSATION FOR DISPOSSESSED FARMERS.

LONDON, April 21.

Sir Edward Strachey, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Agriculture, has introduced a bill into the House of Commons to enable compensation to be given to tenant farmers whose land is requisitioned for small holdings.

IMMIGRATION.

MR. MOORE'S ACTIVITY.

LONDON, April 20.

Mr. N. J. Moore, Premier of Western Australia, is busy touring the Midlands. He is now at Norwich lecturing and interviewing likely settlers.

He will attend the annual Western Australian dinner on May 5, at which Sir George Reid will preside.

ENGLISH SPORTING.

EPSOM CITY AND SUBURBAN HANDICAP.

LONDON, April 20.

The principal event at the Epsom Spring Meeting to-day resulted:—

THE CITY AND SUBURBAN HANDICAP of 2000 sovs., by subscription of 3 sovs. each, the only forfeit if declared, 10 sovs. if left in, or 25 sovs. for starters; second to receive 200 sovs., and the third 100 sovs.; winners extra. About 11m. (Forty-one entries, eight of whom declared.) Closed January 4.

Mr. J. Lowry's ch c Bachelor's Double, by Tredennis—Lady Bawn, 4yrs, 8st .. 1
Lord Carnarvon's ch g Mustapha, by Oberon or Uncle Mac—Chatty, 4yrs, 8st 5lb 2
Mr. J. B. Joel's ch g Dean Swift, by Childwick—Pasquil, aged, 9st 5lb 3

The race was first instituted in 1857, when Elthiron won in a field of 16. Since then the winners have included three Australian horses, viz.:—Newhaven II., The Grafter, and Australia Star. Last year the race was won by Mr. W. Hall-Walker's ch c White Eagle, who carried 8st 7lb, and the stake was worth £1675. This year's winner was bred in Ireland.

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

MADAME DOLORES.

LONDON, April 21.

Madame Dolores has started for Australia, via America, and will open her Australian concert tour in Sydney in June.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA.

Queen Alexandra and Princess Victoria have arrived at Corfu.

AUSTRALIAN BISHOPS ILL.

The Right Rev. Dr. Corbett, Roman Catholic Bishop of Sale, and the Right Rev. Dr. Reville, Roman Catholic Bishop of Sandhurst, are both ill in Rome. The Bishop of Sandhurst is suffering from pneumonia, and is in a critical condition. The Pope has sent the Apostolic Blessing.

T. BROWN AND SONS.

Thomas Brown and Sons, general merchants, of Glasgow and Brisbane, in their annual report, show a credit to profit and loss account of £21,806. A dividend of 5½ per cent. on preference shares to November, 1909, is declared, and £7016 is carried forward.

STRIKERS DISAGREE.

CARTERS THREATEN TO RESUME WORK.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Discontent exists among the carters and drivers who are out on strike in sympathy with the timber sorters and stackers. They threaten to return to work if some means are not speedily adopted to end the dispute.

UNION DECLARED BLACK.

TRADES HALL ACTION.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Trades Hall Council to-night carried the following motion:—"That in view of the fact that the Sawmill and Timber Yard Union having endorsed the action of their managing committee in permitting their members to act as strike-breakers, this council declares the union black, and cancels its affiliation with this council."

JAPANESE STOICISM.

SUBMARINE LIEUTENANT'S LETTER.

PRAISES HEROISM OF COMPANIONS.

LONDON, April 21.

In the Japanese submarine which sank during manoeuvres, and which was recovered some hours later, a document was discovered written by the lieutenant commanding. The document detailed the accident, and described its causes, and the steps taken to endeavour to raise the submarine.

The lieutenant expressed regret for losing the boat and the lives of the officers and crew whose heroism, the document states, is worthy of the highest praise. The document ends by stating that the writer has reached such a stage of asphyxiation that he has the greatest difficulty in breathing, and he prays the Emperor to succour the families of the officers and men with him.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN LOAN.

A POOR RESPONSE.

LONDON, April 21.

The "Daily Mail" states that the lists for the South Australian 3½ per cent. loan of £780,400, issued at £101, closed yesterday, and it seems to have met with a very poor response.

12.45 p.m.

The underwriters get 66 per cent. of the loan.

WILLOUGHBY TRAGEDY.

PHILLIPS BEFORE THE COURT.

REMANDED UNTIL WEDNESDAY.

Another phase of the ghastly tragedy at Willoughby was reached yesterday, when William Phillips, alias Melons, 28, described on the charge sheet as a labourer, was called upon at the Water Police Court, before Mr. G. H. Smithers, S.M., to answer a charge of having, on or about the 17th inst. at Willoughby, feloniously and maliciously murdered Florence May Phillips.

There was a larger attendance of the public than usual, apparently due to a desire to see the accused. Phillips, when brought into court, appeared quite unconcerned and indifferent to the serious nature of the charge. When called upon to stand up in his place in the dock, he obeyed immediately.

Sergeant Drew asked for a remand until the 27th inst., so that accused might be brought before the Coroner's Court.

Mr. Smithers granted the application, and remanded Phillips accordingly, and almost before the public were aware of what was transpiring, the accused was being escorted back to the cells.

FLORENCE PHILLIPS BURIED.

Yesterday afternoon a short procession moved from the home of John Bundy, a brother of Mrs. Phillips, living in Edinburgh-street, Willoughby, to St. Thomas' Cemetery, North Sydney, and the remains of Florence Phillips were interred.

SEQUEL TO DIVORCE CASE.

COUNSEL ASSAULTED.

Yesterday, at the Paddington Police Court, John Thomson Ralston proceeded against Una Mary Townsend for assaulting him on April 15. Defendant pleaded guilty.

Complainant said that on Friday he was in his office in the afternoon when he heard defendant's voice speaking in loud tones. He walked out into the street to speak to a client, and defendant came and made some remark he did not hear. Complainant started to cross the street towards his office when defendant struck him violently on the face with her open hand. There was absolutely no provocation on complainant's part. Prior to this her conduct towards him had called the attention of hundreds of people about the streets. The indignity caused by the assault was more than the violence of the blow. After striking him she said, "Have me arrested if you dare." Complainant said he had known her for some years. She was respondent in a divorce suit, and the man he was speaking to was the co-respondent. He had acted in his professional duty in advising the co-respondent.

Defendant stated that she was annoyed with complainant as he told the co-respondent not to speak to her. She expressed her regret and was bound over to keep the peace.

NEW WHARF FOR MAIL STEAMERS

For a considerable time past the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners have recognised the disability under which overseas passengers labour by reason of being frequently landed in tenders instead of at the mail companies' wharfs.

The Commissioners state that a friendly interchange of wharfs between the English mail companies at Circular Quay would have got over the difficulty for some time to come; but, as this could not be brought about without very drastic action on the part of the Commissioners, the Trust has now decided to carry out a project which has been for some time under consideration, and construct a wharf at Beneleng Point, nearly at right angles to the wharf at present occupied by the P. and O. Company. Plans were approved of yesterday by the Commissioners and the work will be put in hand at once.

In addition to accommodation for cargo, the new wharf will be replete with every modern convenience for passengers and the landing and sorting of their baggage, and it is intended that the wharf shall be used, as required, by the mail or other large passenger companies.

MAHONGA'S LAST JUMP.

WINS, AND DROPS DEAD.

GRAFTON, Thursday.

Mr. W. J. Perry's Mahonga, a fine old performer, aged over 20 years, won his last event, and died in action at the Clarence P. and A. Society's Show to-day.

Mahonga came up with the fire of excitement in his eye, and took the jump beautifully, clearing 6ft 7in, a record for the ground.

It was Mahonga's supreme effort. After taking the jump he cantered bravely round the ring, but his heart strings snapped, and he suddenly dropped dead. It was an honourable end to a fine career, and the crowd exclaimed in sympathy.

A SHIPPING MATTER.

IMPORTANT NEW ZEALAND DECISION.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Thursday.

In the special case removed from the Supreme Court to the Court of Appeal the latter's judgment is that the Huddart, Parker Company must pay New Zealand rates of wages on steamships which are owned and registered outside New Zealand and trade between New Zealand coastal ports; and that until such wages are paid the Collector of Customs is entitled to refuse clearance.

Leave was given to appeal to the Privy Council.

HALLEY'S COMET.

COOMA, Thursday.

Halley's comet was distinctly visible to the naked eye early this morning.

PERTH, Thursday.

The Government Astronomer, Mr. Cooke, says that the tail of Halley's comet has increased considerably in length the past few days, and is now several degrees long. An excellent photograph was secured at the Observatory this morning.

BOY BRUISED: DOG CUT IN TWO.

STARTLING TRAMWAY ACCIDENT.

Frank Steel, a schoolboy of 13 years of age, living with his parents at St. Paul's College, had a narrow escape from death at Newtown last night. The lad was walking along Newtown-road, near Forbes-street, when his dog started to run across the road. The boy ran after it to save it from being run over by an approaching tramcar. The car struck both the boy and the dog, and they disappeared underneath it. The car was immediately pulled up, and everybody expected to find Steel's mangled body. On being lifted out from under the car, however, it was found that he had sustained only a few abrasions. The dog was not so fortunate, the wheel having passed over its body and cut it in two. The boy was taken to the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, and admitted for treatment.

LOSS OF THE SATARA

DISAPPEARS HEAD FIRST.

STORY OF THE DISASTER.

NOT ONE LIFE LOST.

"CREW BEHAVED SPLENDIDLY."

Early yesterday morning a small knot of eager watchers stood on the North Coast wharf, waiting to welcome the crew of the wrecked Satara. Shortly after 9 o'clock the Dorrigo sounded her whistle, and swung in to the wharf having on board a motley collection of castaways. They were clothed in every conceivable garb, pyjamas, blankets, dungarees, and sarongs being most in evidence. On the main deck were huddled the lascars, 78 of them, for the two who were reported drowned were subsequently rescued clinging to flotsam by the Orara.

On the bridge stood Captain Hugill, and it was obvious that he felt keenly the loss of his ship. But the rest of the crew bore their losses with philosophic optimism.

"Can I carry your luggage anywhere?" asked a baggage agent.

"Got 'em on," replied the chief engineer, sententiously. And that was how they stood, having lost everything except what they were wearing. But all were loud in their praises of the kindness of the officers and crew and passengers of the Orara.

"I wouldn't have minded," said one, "if I had saved my trousers."

"All I want," added a youngster of 16, "is to send a message to the mater."

"There's not one life lost," volunteered an officer, "but that's the only thing we've saved."

An engineer with a Glasgow voice chimed in: "Those niggers over there behaved splendidly."

The "niggers" in question were then being marshalled on the wharf. They looked a curious crowd, clothed mostly in sarongs and dungarees. There were 16 "boys" in the saloon who came from Goa, and 62 lascars from Calcutta, employed as deck and engine-room hands and firemen. Amedadi, the serang, spoke English. "We all right. No one sink. Two lascars in the water picked up by other boat."

THE CAPTAIN RETICENT.

Captain Hugill, master of the Satara, declined to discuss the situation. "You've got all about it in your paper," he said. "There is nothing more to be said about it. We struck the rocks, and the ship went down. We saved all hands."

THE FIRST MATE'S STORY.

A sturdily-built, though short, young Welshman is Mr. C. G. Hughes, the first mate, who hails from Swansea. He had a cut on the bridge of the nose, and another on the cheek, caused by floating wreckage, while he was struggling in the water. "The skipper was the last man to leave the sinking ship," he explained. "You see, the Satara sank too quickly. We had sent the five boats away with most of the crew, and we had one by for the pilot and the skipper. But we left it a bit too late; and before we could get clear the ship disappeared head first, and we had to swim for it. There was a lot of wreckage about. The two lascars were with us, but they disappeared. I was in the water about an hour before the Orara's boat got hold of me. The two lascars were picked up afterwards. But when she struck the crew behaved splendidly. The Orara's people were very kind to us."

THE PILOT'S ACCOUNT.

Pilot Brinstead came up smiling with a cut on his forehead, and a bruise over his left eye. "We struck Edith Rocks just after midday, and it was all over in an hour. We hoped to beach her, but the stern was high out of the water, and she had no steerage way on her. The crew behaved lovely. There was not the slightest panic. But everybody lost everything."

How did you get hurt?

"Oh, that's nothing. I must have got that in the water. I was on the bridge with the captain, and we were washed off when she sank. It was just a nice cold bath, that's all."

How long?

"Oh, we were in the water for about an hour, but it seemed a day. The sea was very choppy, and there were tons of floating wreckage. The rain squalls prevented our seeing any distance That's all I can say."

IN SIXTY-FIVE MINUTES.

"The Satara struck the rocks at 12.15, and went down at 1.20," said Mr. F. Reading, the second mate. "We were making north Queensland, and had passed Broughton Island. When just south of Seal Rocks we struck the Sugarloaf Rock. Distress signals were hoisted. Four boats were manned, and the crew behaved splendidly. We pulled about till we were picked up by the Orara. The pilot and skipper and chief officer were on board when she foundered. They clung to the wreckage for an hour before being picked up."

HIS FIRST VOYAGE.

Quite unconcerned by his sensational first voyage, and looking as if he rather enjoyed the experience, Cadet E. H. Gwyther, the youngest of the shipwrecked crew, stood in borrowed plumes waiting to get a chance to procure decent clothes. Mr. Moss, from the Seamen's Mission, was at hand ready to help the sailors in distress. "Look here," said the boy; "I want to send a message to Calcutta to my people. Oh, I'm all right. It's my first voyage. I came away in a nightshirt; I borrowed these pants and singlet on the Orara. I went down in 65 minutes."

"An hour," interpolated the purser.

"Oh, well," explained the cadet, "it only seemed 20 minutes. She seemed to settle down head first straight away. It was raining hard at the time, and I was in my bunk. Where can I get some clothes?"

A PLUCKY RESCUE.

"Our boat got away all right," said the fifth engineer, Mr. A. E. Smith, "and the lascars worked like Britons. It was a choppy sea and raining, and when we got near the Orara the boat swamped, and we were all thrown into the water. I must have gone down a lot, because I was nearly done. Then the second officer of the Orara dived in, and held me afloat till we were hauled aboard."

THE ALLEGED EXPLOSION.

Four of the five engineers hail from Scotland. Mr. T. M. Black, the chief, comes from Kilmarnock. "Our boat had just left the Satara," he explained," and we were only about 20 yards away when she disappeared. As she went under there was a big escape of smoke and steam from the funnel. That is what the lighthouse-keeper took, or mistook, for an explosion."

NO TIME TO DRESS.

Mr. J. B. Passmore, the third mate, was below when the accident occurred. He had no time to dress. "There were ladies on the Orara, and I had to wear a blanket till an officer on board took pity on me. It's a jolly good job the Orara was handy, or there would have been a different tale to tell."

THE CAPTAIN'S DOG.

Other members of the shipwrecked crew and some of the men on the Dorrigo filled in the details here and there, until it appeared almost miraculous that no lives were lost. As one of the engineers said, the captain's dog was the only "hand" lost. The skipper and his dog were supported by some wreckage near the pilot, when the Dorrigo came along. A boat was lowered, and two seamen, Stainer and Nelson, tried to reach Captain Hugill, but, after a hard tussle, failed. The captain was rescued with a rope, and dragged on deck shortly after the pilot, but the poor dog was not seen again.

The Dorrigo then proceeded to Seal Rocks Bay, and relieved the Orara of the Satara's crew. The Orara proceeded on her way to Byron Bay, and the Dorrigo started south for Sydney. The shipwrecked mariners were treated with the utmost kindness by Captain Anderson and the officers of the Dorrigo. They were provided with clothing and food, and after getting into dry clothes seemed little the worse for their adventures.

THE LASCARS.

The coloured crew of the Satara were mustered on the North Coast wharf, counted to see that none were missing, and then placed aboard the tug Robbie Burns, and conveyed to Burns, Philp, and Co.'s steamer Airlie, which is lying in Neutral Bay. As they are all restricted immigrants, the Water Police kept the party in view until the tug left the wharf. For the present they are quartered on the Airlie.

SUCCOUR FOR THE CASTAWAYS.

ACTION BY SHIPWRECK RELIEF SOCIETY.

The secretary of the Royal Shipwreck Relief and Humane Society of New South Wales met the shipwrecked crew of the Satara on their arrival by the steamer Dorrigo at the North Coast Company's wharf yesterday morning, when arrangements were at once made by the society to supply outfits, as both officers and men had to leave the sinking ship with what they stood up in.

Some of them were very scantily attired, though the captain and officers were loud in praise of the kindness shown to them by all on board the North Coast Company's steamers Orara and Dorrigo, the officers having readily supplied what they could in the shape of clothing. The Lascars—78 in number—were conveyed by steamer to be provided for on board the Airlie, at present laid up in Neutral Bay.

The officers and engineers were temporarily accommodated at the Sailors' Home, but will to-day also take up their quarters on the Airlie. They speak very highly of the courtesy shown by the secretary of the society, Captain A. W. Webber, and of the committee's prompt action in looking after their wants.

SEEN FROM THE ORARA.

MANY PATHETIC INCIDENTS.

BRITISH PLUCK AND COOLNESS.

HOW THE CASTAWAYS WERE RESCUED.

LISMORE, Thursday.

The wreck of the Satara, which was witnessed by the passengers and crew of the steamer Orara, was an awesome spectacle. The Orara overtook the ill-fated vessel near Seal Rocks, and when passing her it was freely remarked among the passengers that the Satara appeared to be in trouble, as she scarcely rose in the water, and her bows were very heavily weighted. However, as no distress signals appeared the Orara steamed ahead, but an eye was kept on the Satara by Captain Hunter, of the Orara.

As it became evident that the Satara was really in trouble, the Orara asked if her services were needed, and the reply came, "Stand by." Captain Hunter at once returned, steaming cautiously within several hundred yards of the wrecked steamer. As she approached it could be seen that the Satara was sinking fast by the head, and the waves were breaking right over the fore deck. The boats were being launched, but the first boat remained suspended to the davits. The second boat was successfully launched, with a complement of officers and crew, but it was afterwards ascertained that three of the crew had been left on board to launch another boat, but in climbing down to their fellows they were plunged into the sea. Afterwards they were rescued, and another boat successfully launched, carrying a full complement of human freight, the big majority being Indian coolies. Two boats were then lowered from the other side of the ship.

The captain, pilot, and mate were clearly seen on the bridge directing operations, and the spectators from the Orara watched breathlessly all that happened on the ill-fated ship. When the lifeboats were within hailing distance Captain Hunter shouted to those in charge to draw up alongside the Orara, where scores of willing people were waiting to assist them on board. The task awaiting the shipwrecked people, however, was a perilous one, for, great as was the danger of leaving the Satara, owing to the choppy sea and heavy swell, the risk was enhanced when alongside the Orara because of the likelihood of the boats being capsized by contact with her sides.

This did happen to the boat in charge of the fifth engineer, for all the occupants were overturned into the sea. The terrified shouts of the struggling coolies as they fought for life to grasp the ropes thrown over to them were heartrending in the extreme, and the danger was increased by several of them clinging to one rope. Time after time their hold relaxed, and fears were entertained that some would drown. At length all were saved but Mr. Smith, the fifth engineer, and several coolies, who clung to him in a terrified manner as the last hope of escape. It was by a stupendous effort that he was able to retain his hold on the rope. Seeing that all efforts were fruitless, Mr. Benson, second officer of the Orara, courageously plunged overboard, and gripped the drowning engineer by the waist, and supported him, while with great difficulty the struggling coolies were one by one drawn up to a position of safety. At length the fifth engineer was rescued just as his strength had failed and he was carried to the cabin and treated with restoratives. Mr. Benson's plucky action was warmly applauded. Another boat had drawn up on the opposite side of the vessel, and the same danger threatened. The small boat was constantly in danger of being overturned by coming into contact with the side of the Orara, and the risk of maimed bodies and broken limbs was great as the occupants clambered up the ship's side.

The outstanding feature in such a terrible moment was the coolness and courage of the two or three white men who came with each boat. Their first care apparently was the safety of the coolies under their charge, and in every case the officers were the last rescued.

A pathetic incident was the rescue of the chief steward—a fine looking, well-proportioned Hindoo. This man was one of those who fell into the water when being transferred from the ill-fated vessel, and his chances in the succeeding struggle were therefore hampered. In clambering to the deck of the Orara his strength failed, and releasing his hold of the rope, he once more fell into the water and sank. It was feared that he had disappeared for ever, but he came to the surface again and secured the rope. He was thrown a lifebelt, and with much difficulty was rescued in a semi-conscious condition.

The coolies, it must be said, were terror-stricken, though when they were threatened by a watery grave behaved in a splendid manner. Once on deck of the Orara they united with the others in rescuing their fellows. While the work of rescue was in progress the Satara was fast settling down. The forepart rapidly filled, gave a tremendous plunge, and then listed to starboard with the stern standing upright in the air. The boilers had evidently burst, and she had apparently also caught fire, for a dense column of smoke ascended to the sky, and the flames could be made out. For a few moments she remained stationary before finally settling down. Then angry waves swallowed her.

A boat was launched from the Orara in charge of the second officer, Mr. Benson, to search among the wreckage for Captain Hughill, Pilot Benstead, and the first officer (Mr. C. Hughes), who remained on the Satara till the last. After a time the first officer was noticed clinging to a hatch grating, and was drawn aboard very much exhausted. The Dorrigo, bound to Sydney, also drew up to the scene of the wreck, and sent out boats, securing the captain and pilot from amongst the floating wreckage. They were very much knocked about. Two coolies were also picked up by them, and two other coolies were reported to have been seen floating on a hencoop towards the shore.

The Satara struck the Edith Reef in the vicinity of Seal Rocks, and not a great distance from the shore. The first engineer recounted how he and the captain were on the lower deck just prior to the ship striking, and the captain, pointing to a certain rock, remarked that that was the spot where the steamer Cattenhura went down. Just at that moment the Satara bumped a rock in the region of No. 1 hold. The engineer exclaimed: "We've found one, too," and the captain immediately rushed to the bridge to issue orders. All the rescued spoke in glowing terms of the captain's coolness in time of great danger.

The chief officer stated that when the boat was in the act of sinking the captain and pilot jumped free, but he was dragged under by the suction of the sinking vessel. All three, however, managed to grab wreckage, which proved their salvation. It was ascertained that when the Satara struck the steering gear was rendered useless, and the captain's intention to beach her was frustrated.

THE POSITION OF THE WRECK.

Captain Hunter, of the North Coast Company's steamer Orara, states that the wrecked steamer Satara is lying south by east from the lighthouse at Seal Rocks about five miles. The sea is breaking on the wreck, which is a danger to navigation.

THE RESCUERS.

More than ordinary credit attaches to the work of the rescuers. It is almost certain that, but for the timely assistance of the two North Coast boats, there would have been a number of fatalities. Captain Hunter, on the Orara, was close to Seal Rocks at the time, and, seeing signals of distress flying, stood in towards the Satara. Just then the ill-fated vessel seemed to rise stern first out of the water, and made one final plunge to the bottom of the Pacific. A half-gale was blowing at the time, and the sea was fairly rough, but Captain Hunter hurried his vessel near enough to rescue all of those in the Satara's boats. One of the boats swamped after nearly all the ship's company had been taken on board. Mr. A. E. Smith, the fifth engineer, who comes from Rawalpindi, had a narrow escape.

But there was no news of Captain Hugill and Pilot Binstead, and the two Lascars, who were reported missing. Just then the Dorrigo, Captain Anderson, came along, and with great difficulty rescued the two captains, who had been in the water for over an hour. The two Lascars were subsequently rescued, clinging to some wreckage. The two vessels then proceeded to Seal Rocks Bay, where the shipwrecked mariners were transferred to the Dorrigo.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS.

THE LIBERAL PARTY.

MR. WADE AND HIS SUPPORTERS.

CONFERENCE REGARDING POSITION.

In the opinion of Mr. McGowen, the result of the federal elections is tantamount to a notice to quit to Mr. Wade and his colleagues. Mr. Wade, on the other hand, holds the opinion that the causes which led to the downfall of the Deakin-Cook Government do not operate in the case of the State Government, and that, when the appeal is made to the electors in August or September, there will be such a rallying of the Liberal forces as will postpone indefinitely the accession to office of a Labour Government. That Mr. McGowen will make a determined bid for office is taken for granted, and it is freely conceded by members of the Government party that his prospects are better than they have ever been before; but these conditions, it is believed, will put the Liberal voters on their mettle and secure for the present Government such a majority as will show beyond doubt that the electors are not unmindful of the substantial benefits yielded to the State by the progressive policy of the last six years.

Nothing, however, is to be left to chance. Mr. Wade called his supporters together yesterday, and a couple of hours were spent in a careful examination of the position. The winning of the Darling Harbour, Upper Hunter, and Queanbeyan seats by direct supporters of Mr. McGowen raises the effective voting strength of the Labour party in the present House to 37, exclusive of two or three members who have held themselves aloof from both Liberal and Labour parties and have claimed to sit as Independents.

Mr. Wade will be able to rely upon a party 50 strong. This will give him a working majority of about 10—sufficient to enable him to make good use of the time available for work before the House expires by effluxion of time in July. At the meeting yesterday there was an interchange of ideas as to the relative strength of parties in the different electorates, and as to the best way of putting the issues before the electors when the campaign is opened. The work of organisation is to be at once undertaken. This is a matter that will not admit of delay.

It was decided to hold the annual meeting of the Liberal party on May 25, and meantime a plan of campaign will be formulated. It is recognised that not only the policy, but the methods of the party must be made progressive, and it is therefore not improbable that changes will be made in the machinery for the selection of candidates.

SIR JOHN FORREST ANGRY.

BLAMES THE PEOPLE.

"DON'T DESERVE SELF-GOVERNMENT."

PERTH, Tuesday.

Speaking at the Wanneroo Agricultural Show Sir John Forrest said that the Labour party was now in power, and could do anything it wished with the Constitution. Although the Labour party promised an exemption of £5000 in the proposed Federal land tax, it would probably come down to £500. The people did not deserve self-government. They got away from Downing-street because they wanted the management of their own affairs and the land. But now they had delegated their power to other people who did not know them and had no sympathy with them.

THE SENATE.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

M'DOUGALL (Lab.)	244,453
GARDINER (Lab.)	243,730
RAE (Lab.)	234,668
GRAY (Lib.)	217,375
PULSFORD (Lib.)	213,404
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informal by electors voting for more than three candidates, by striking out names, and by failing to indicate their votes by crosses, and other such acts.

MR. CRAWFORD IN REQUEST.

BEGA, Thursday.

At a largely-attended meeting of the Bega Political Labour League, resolutions were carried asking the Rev. Mr. Crawford, who contested Lang seat at the recent Federal elections, and Mr. John D'Arcy, of Bemboka, to send their names for consideration, with a view to nomination for the selection of candidate to contest Bega seat in the interests of Labour next State elections.

WRANGLING LABOURITES.

DISPUTE IN WENTWORTH.

LABOUR COUNCIL INVESTIGATING.

At last night's meeting of the Labour Council Mr. E. Whittington referred to the charges made by Mr. A. Vernon, the defeated candidate in the Wentworth electorate, at the previous meeting.

He said with regard to Mr. Vernon charging him with criticising his (Mr. Vernon's) grammar, that he certainly had considered Mr. Vernon an unsuitable candidate, and still held that opinion. He was a delegate to the Wentworth council, and as soon as the council noticed and discussed Mr. Vernon's nomination he had stated his objections, and he would now say that if a more suitable man had been selected the seat would have been won for Labour. He had not followed Mr. Vernon through the campaign to do him harm, and on election day he had taken a holiday, worked as a scrutineer for Mr. Howe in the morning and part of the afternoon, and at the rolls at the booths for Mr. Vernon for the rest of the day. He had not been disloyal, and considered that the people who were disloyal to Labour were those who selected unsuitable candidates. With regard to Mr. Vernon's statement that he had asked him whether he had £35, he had simply asked him to give an assurance that he would be able to find the deposit. It was a reasonable position when the league had no money to spare.

Mr. W. Duncan (Clerks) moved that the next business be proceeded with.

Mr. Vernon asked that the president of the Paddington Labour League be heard.

After discussion, Mr. E. J. Kavanagh (Pressers) said if Mr. Whittington was guilty of what Mr. Vernon had said, he had no right in Labour Council. If he was not, it was not fair to allow Mr. Vernon's statements to hang over his head. Mr. Kavanagh moved that the matter be referred to the council's executive, that Mr. Vernon be asked to submit his charges in writing, that Mr. Whittington be given an opportunity to reply, and that the matter be thoroughly investigated.

An amendment to submit the matter to the P.L.L. executive was lost, and Mr. Kavanagh's motion was carried.

DARLINGHURST LABOUR LEAGUE.

The Darlinghurst Labour League met on Tuesday, and passed the following motion:—"That this league places on record its great appreciation of the magnificent victory gained by Mr. J. E. West in East Sydney, and history likewise of the complete triumph of the Labour party throughout the Commonwealth. The league also extends its best thanks to all who so willingly assisted in the campaign in the Darlinghurst subdivision." It was pointed out by speakers that this was the first victory ever gained by Labour in the eastern suburbs, but the prospects of materially augmenting the list at the coming State election appeared particularly bright. A number of new members were enrolled.

IS LIBERALISM DEFEATED?

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—If one were to take notice of the terms of exultation which pour from the lips of Labourites it would be next to impossible to imagine anything else but that Liberalism was finally defeated. It is a common experience to be greeted by the words, accompanied with a leer, "What about the Labour party now?" To my mind the question is not about the party so much as it is concerning the great mass who have been induced to cast their votes for what is vaguely called "Labour." The term Labour is one that is used to denote something that is necessary for the production of wealth. The use of the term indicates no principle, nor does it in any way involve one. This will no doubt appear strange to those who have pinned their faith to a political machine to which the term has been affixed; but for the benefit of these people I would like to point out that there is a principle which governs labour, whether it be well-conditioned or otherwise, and that is the principle of liberty. While it must be admitted that liberty is applied in a very imperfect manner at present, an examination of the Labour party's platform will reveal, not an extension of liberty, but rather a further infringement. The proposal for nationalising monopolies is one which holds out no hope for the people in the way of economic freedom; all that it does is to offer a change of taskmasters. As for the graduated land tax, it is nothing short of a boss perpetual land tax, it is nothing short of a boss perpetrated upon an unthinking public. This tax has been in operation in New Zealand since 1893, and, although it reaches a maximum of 5d in the £, Sir J. Ward, in the Budget of 1909, complained that owners were still making excessive values, "rendering purchase difficult to negotiate, as the figure of the settlement depends upon the rents being reasonable." (Page 8.)

The cause of the so-called Liberal rout and the success of the miscalled Labour party lies in the fact that the Liberal party has for some time been in a decadent state, while an increasing section of the voters have been duped by the term "Labour." It is pathetic, indeed, to hear the horny-handed declare their intention of voting for their own class, as they know what they want. Such a declaration is equivalent to saying that a man must know what medicine he requires, which is sheer nonsense.

There is one thing, however, that is certain of being accomplished, and that is, the Labour party on their platform must cause disappointment to the bulk of their supporters. What the masses heed is more liberty, even to the point of being free to produce their subsistence without being dependent upon any person outside of themselves. Liberals must fight nationalisation of monopolies by securing their abolition. Therefore Liberals must remove land monopoly by taxing land values on an equal basis and without exemption, and secure the end of trade monopolies by the repeal of the tariff. As for the party, it is in a somewhat fossilised state, to cure which there must be an infusion of new blood, together with a determination to give scope to the radical element which at present is estranged to the hurt of Liberalism and the community generally. I am, etc.,

April 19. S. DAVISON.

LABOUR SUCCESS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—One of the chief contributing causes of the remarkable success of Labour at the recent Federal polls seems to have been lost sight of by most of your correspondents. The great victory of the Labour party throughout Australia is, in my judgment, simply the outcome of intense earnestness, generated by nearly 20 years of education on right lines. Labour has won because the representatives of Labour believe in their principles. They know that Labour legislation can only be obtained from men who believe in Labour; and, therefore, they are prepared to make almost any sacrifice in order to put Labour men into Parliament.

Labour electors are politically educated. They see one person going through life in ease and luxury without ever doing five minutes' work, either of hand or brain, while another is compelled to struggle from the cradle to the grave for a bare existence; and they know that an application of the principle of production, for use instead of for profit would help to brighten their lives and pave the way for better conditions for their children.

I have been closely associated with church and temperance work for about 40 years, but I never saw such earnestness or such a readiness to make sacrifices for the cause as I have seen in the Labour movement. For instance, I am well known in temperance circles, and I may claim to have rendered some service in the fight against liquor; but with all that, I could almost count upon my fingers the men who would put in five minutes' work to get me into Parliament. On the other hand, if I am a Labour candidate, hundreds of men and women will canvass the district, address meetings, post up bills, and then contribute out of their small earnings to the cost of the contest.

That is the explanation of Labour success. Intense earnestness, unwavering loyalty, and a platform which embodies in all its essential features the principles of brotherhood as enforced by the golden rule, Labour succeeded at the polls because it deserved to, and I, at any rate, feel confident that the results will justify the people's choice. I am, etc.,

G. D. CLARK.

LABOUR AND THE CHURCH.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—There can be no doubt that in days gone by, when sectarianism influenced the electors more than politics, the Orange institution rendered most valuable assistance to the Liberal party. Many Protestants (especially women) who might otherwise have voted for the Labour party were kept loyal to the Liberal party, and they were more numerous than the Roman Catholics who were alienated from the Liberal party by reason of the latter's patronage of the L.O.L. I am afraid, however, that the sectarian weapon is now comparatively useless, and that its employment recoils upon us. Witness the disappearance from our politics of men like Messrs. Wilks, Law, Abigail, Jessop, Booth, and others, and the narrow escape of Mr. Johnson. I am sure the cartoon issued from the office of our over-zealous ally, the "Watchman," did us more harm than good. It irritated many Roman Catholics who might have voted for us, disgusted lukewarm Protestants, and was not, in the face of the class-conscious feeling of the working classes, powerful enough to do us any good. I know there are able men in our ranks, like Messrs. Wood, Hogue, M'Coy, and others, who still consider the L.O.L. a useful ally, but I think I am voicing the opinion of most Liberals when I say that the time has come for the party to drop the sectarian weapon, because it does more harm than good to us.

I am, etc., PROTESTANT LIBERAL.

April 19.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The communication of your correspondent "Citizen" in your issue of to-day tends to show that either he is labouring under a hallucination or makes statements without any foundation. Why it should be necessary for the head of the Church to instruct the faithful to vote for Labour he merely suggests, but cannot substantiate. Surely it will be admitted that Catholics possess sufficient intelligence to enable them to vote for candidates to represent them, not as members of the Church, but as citizens of Australia.

Personally, I object to sectarianism in the political arena, and have on several occasions refrained from voting because the candidates were seeking support on that basis. But I certainly think that individuals like "Citizen," who apparently strive to introduce matters which must tend to preserve narrow-minded and intolerant inclinations, instead of endeavouring to promote liberal, and thus have an elevating effect, should be disfranchised.

I am, etc.,

April 21. PRO PATRIA SEMPER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Your correspondent "Citizen" in your issue of to-day says: "It is a well-known fact that tens of thousands of letters were sent by the head of the Church to the faithful to vote for Labour."

If it is "a well-known fact" it must be capable of being proved, and I challenge "Citizen" or anyone else in the Commonwealth to do so.

During the elections the Liberal party had as its Federal Attorney-General the Hon. Mr. Glynn, one of the most respected Catholics in Australia. That party in East Sydney alone was openly supported by the Hon. Thomas Hughes (ex-Lord Mayor of Sydney), Mr. Alderman John Lane Mullins, Mr. Alderman M'Elhone, as well as by Mr. Joseph Carroll (one of Mr. Lee's secretaries), all members of the Catholic Church.

Did they hear of any Catholic clerical interference in the elections? I say no, because nothing of the kind took place. I am, etc.,

April 21. GREAT IS TRUTH.

THE PRICE TO PAY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—"To whatever cause Labour owed its success, it did not owe it to some fierce wave of indignation that had swept its foes away before its face." In extracting these lines from your very able leader on the above, may I point out that in my humble opinion the altogether solid Roman Catholic vote given to Labour on the 13th inst, dictated so strongly by their sectarian papers and an evening contemporary, was the main cause of turning the balance in favour of the Labour party. The reward for this may be, if they are as successful in the State elections, an alteration in the Education Act. I am, etc.,

BEWARE.

THE LAND TAX PROPOSALS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Re the many causes that are supposed to have helped towards the late Labour victory, is it not possible that it was in some measure due to the action of the Liberals in the matter of the fierce attack on the proposal of the Labourites to impose a tax on land values? May not the loss to the Liberals be partly due to the fact that the democracy of Australia, like that of England, is calling aloud for the recovery, for the use of the people, the values which the people have added to the land? And to the fact that the Labour party is at present the only party which has a platform containing a plank that can be in any way interpreted to respond to that cry?

It is well known that the Liberal camp contains many who not only favour putting all taxation ultimately on the land, but who propose to begin doing so by imposing a tax on all land according to its value, without any exemption at all. No doubt, these people would have fought for any party who were attacking the Labourites because their land tax value was emasculated by a £5000 exemption; but when they saw that the Liberals not only refrained from proposing any tax on land values as part of their policy, but made the land tax proposals of the Labourites the target for their hottest fire, and this not because of the objectionable exemption clause, but because (according to the Liberals) if the Labourites were returned to power there would probably be no exemption at all, it was only natural for them to think that they had nothing to gain from the Liberals, and to throw in their lot with the Labourites, in the hope that the prophecy of the Liberals concerning them would come true, and circumstances compel the Labour party to abolish the exemptions proposed.

On the other hand, it is well known that the Labour ranks contain many who, disgusted with the want of radicalism in the land policy of the Labour party, and the slowness with which a policy of freedom is substituted for a policy of socialistic leaning on State control and interference, might have been tempted to join the Liberals had these shown themselves as ready to formulate an advanced policy, as they were to denounce the policy of their antagonists without in the least understanding wherein the weakness of that policy lay.

If the above reasons have in any way influenced the result of the late elections, it is the most hopeful sign that has yet appeared above the political horizon. When our politicians discover that the heart of the people is with justice and equity and freedom—when they find that they are asking a fair field and no favour, but that the bars of monopoly that favour the rich and land shall be thrown down, and equal opportunities be open to all—when our great political parties bring to vie with each other in framing a policy whose first object shall be to see to it that no citizen shall have a man-granted privilege that is not available to all—then may we expect to induct that righteousness which exalteth a nation. I am, etc.,

R. I. S. H.

THE WOMAN'S POINT OF VIEW.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Your correspondent in to-day's issue, 20th, says how many women have time to read the political news? As woman that is thrifty can always find sufficient time to read the news in the paper. I always study the political side of the question, for a woman has a right to look to her children's future as regards their welfare, and that is why we Labour women sent our men to the poll triumphantly. Your correspondent says that the Labour men look after their wives voted. So did the Liberal, for we had three women canvassers to one Labour in our electorate. That is not the reason why we got such a victory. Let some of those upper ten who are Liberal women have the families that the Labour women have, and, perhaps, in time they will do the same as our labouring men's children have done. But I do not think that it will ever be. It was the Labour men's children that exercised their first vote on the 13th that sent Labour triumphant to the polls. The majority of the Liberals is the moneyed class, which is out-classed entirely by the working man and his family. But the would-be Liberal will need to wake up before the State elections take place, for we are not going to vote for a party that drags respectable citizens like Mr. Bowling and Co. from able citizens like Mr. Bowling and Co. from their families and puts them in gaol; while the fat man sits back in his cushioned chair and thinks. Oh, no; we will fight even harder at the State elections, and return good men, devoid of sectarianism, who will not make one law for the rich and one for the poor. It law for the rich and one for the poor. It will be a good thing for us, the immigrant voting will be a good thing for us, the immigrant voting did our eyes good to see the immigrant voting solidly for Labour. Yes, we Labour women voted with all our strength, for it is about the only thing we have as much right to as the upper ten. We did not own motor cars to take us, nor did we have servants to mind our babies; but we walked and carried our babies like true Labouring men's wives, and we showed the world what we could do. One Liberal man told me he did not allow his wife to make herself so common as to vote. Those are the sort that represent the Liberals. So let all Labour people do their duty at the next election, and then the would-be Liberals will have plenty of time to consider over all troubles by the exit of Mr. Wade and party. There is too much class distinction in this sunny land of Australia. I am, etc.,

A WORKING MAN'S WIFE.

DOCTORS.

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"SAMSON AND DELILAH."

A great attendance, and the presence of the State Governor (Lord Chelmsford), signalised the first production in Australia of Camille Saint-Saens' Biblical opera, "Samson and Delilah," an event which, thanks to the laudable enterprise of the Royal Sydney Philharmonic Society, took place at the Town Hall last night. The work, though it dates back to 1879, remains quite modern in tone, resembling the typical music-drama of to-day in its outward movement, illustrative motives, and dramatic adjustment of the music to the action and text. Last night the sense of "atmosphere" seemed slow in coming, the last two acts being conspicuously more stimulating than the first—indeed, the last, even on the platform, became quite exciting in its musical contrast, constantly varied charm, and hurried onrush to the ultimate catastrophe. But it is exceedingly probable that scenery and stage accessories would assist the whole to animated life from the very beginning. The Biblical opera was, of course, designed for the stage, and has been put on more than 300 times at the Paris Grand Opera, although its introduction at Covent Garden did not take place until last year. The subject of "Samson" had not been treated for many years, when Saint-Saens took it in hand. There was de Graupner's sacred opera in 1708, Rameau's opera "Samson" on Voltaire's tragedy in 1732, and Tuczek's German opera in 1804. In the present libretto by Ferdinand Lemaire (English words by Eugene Oudin), the scriptural narrative has been modified, so that Dalila betrays Samson from the highest patriotic motives in alliance with the High Priest, sacrificing the lover of her youth in the interests of her country. There is a splendidly imposing scena at the end, where the Temple of Dagon falls in ruins. Visitors to the Town Hall were greatly assisted by the annotated programme prepared by the conductor, Mr. Joseph Bradley, because it not only explained the leading themes, but also, by ample description, enabled them to follow with the mind's eye the stage-action, and to realise the difference which a gorgeous mise-en-scene would make.

One of the most agreeable features in the rendering was the excellent work of the orchestra, ably led once more by Mr. Henri Stael. The instrumentation is of the utmost importance, and is so elaborate that had the soloists been overpowered—which we hasten to add was not the case—there would have been pardonable excuse for the fault. Although the scoring is illustrative, as has been already remarked, it is not minutely so, as in the case of Puccini's "Madame Butterfly." Indeed, the French composer deliberately passes over many minor opportunities—as in Samson's allusion to "the ocean wave" and the miracle at the Red Sea—contenting himself with the outstanding features of successive situations. But every-where the scoring is replete with melody, whilst the more fascinating phrases are reserved for the love scenes and the pagan feasts. These afford at times a delicious contrast with the austerity of the Hebrew themes. Mention may here be made of the mournful unisonal strain "Hymn of Joy" by the basses, as the Hebrews praise God in hope of deliverance, followed by the exquisite charm of "Fair Spring Smiles Again" by the maidens of Philistia. The first was given softly, solemnly, with touching effect by the basses, whilst the latter brought out all the crystal clearness of the female voices in an ensemble of etherial lightness, with muted strings, flutes, and harp especially prominent. Mr. Bradley also secured a very significant plainsong opening in "God of Israel," the pastoral quality of the wonderfully scored "The Dawn now Awaking" in the last act was felicitously expressed, the piquant Bacchanalian dance for orchestra was admirably rendered, and, in general, a refinement and accuracy unusual in the rendering of a new and difficult work must be placed to the credit of the united forces.

Amongst the soloists, interest naturally centred in the debut of Mme. Georgina Delmar, who revealed a typical operatic contralto soprano voice, not so full in the lower register as some singers possess, but vibratively resonant and telling in all high passages. The new artist's principal recommendation in other respects was her dramatic spirit, with which the many scenes in which Delilah took part were fitted and finished. The beautiful aria, "Fair Spring," which rivals the more frequently chosen excerpt for concert purposes, was given with the right effect of languishing expression, varied by touches of insinuating charm, which left no doubt as to the singer's dramatic power, and made another success in "Softly Awakes my Heart," which has been heard here often enough with orchestra, but not in its proper form as a duet with the tenor. This music of Delilah is very interesting, and at one point the singer met the demands of a cadenza that embraced the high B flat and the same note two octaves lower. Mr. Walter Whyte had made a careful study of the part of Samson, in which his fine tenor voice and breadth of tone lent itself more readily to music expressing a lofty purpose, or a deep regret, than to phrases of passionate emotion. His best work on that account was in the last act. Mr. Andrew Black brought to the part of the High Priest his well-polished art, dramatic action, and a mellow voice to the briefer part of the High Priest. In the first scene with Delilah the baritone delivered the noble passage at "Rich thy reward shall be" with amazing spirit and largeness of tone, and the struggely-original duet with the mezzo, opening like a canon ("Hail to the Mighty God"), and taken up by the chorus, with mysterious orchestral effects and the chiming of bells, afforded one of the delights of the evening. Both artists have sung this music before—Mr. Black in French at Spa, and Mr. Andrew Black with Marie Bremer and Edward Lloyd in the first important performance of the work in London at Queen's Hall (1896). The bass music of Abimeiech and of the aged Hebrew was rendered with dignity by Mr. Percy Herford, and three minor parts were strenuously handled by members of the choir.

SEA TRAVELLING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Reading over the evidence given before the steamer Waratah inquiry board, one is inclined to think a person's life is worth considerably less at sea than on land. One or two of the witnesses swore that fire drill was never once practised, and that the lifeboats were never even removed from their chocks, much less swung through the davits. I recently voyaged on the Island mail-boat by the Union line, and during the trip home fire drill was practised on two occasions, but the lifeboats were never touched, except for a coat of paint given them just before reaching Plymouth. Coming back, some of the boats were overhauled and lowered into the water while standing off Port Adelaide, and I, among a number of other passengers, was greatly interested in this manoeuvre, the majority of us never having seen the contents of the boats before.

As there are numerous laws enacted by different authorities for the protection of individuals in every country on earth, I think that laws relating to sea travelling should be specially strict and rigidly enforced. As there are policemen ashore, why not the same afloat? Again, there should be a set of instructions drawn up and handed to every passenger embarking on a vessel, and these instructions should cover lifeboat drill, manipulation of lifebelts, compass-reading and navigating, occupancy of boats according to numerical division of passengers, and other valuable information, which the average voyager is ever willing to learn. I am, etc.,

A. E. WARNER.

April 19.

THE RULE OF THE ROAD.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—As a business man, and having to do a good deal of driving about the suburbs, I have on more than one occasion been grossly insulted by drivers for daring to make a simple request, the right to pass a vehicle that was not travelling as fast as my own.

I have, however, recently observed that there is better order by the drivers of tip and lorry wool carts in the streets of Redfern and Waterloo, and I am also informed that the officer in charge of that district intends taking stringent measures against all drivers not observing the rule of the road. This officer deserves the thanks of the driving community, and I trust that the efforts of the police will be directed in a similar manner to the main roads in all other suburbs.

I am, etc.,

R. M'FADDEN.

A NEW STAR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In your issue of the 19th inst. you report that a Mr. Walker, of North Dorrigo, saw a bright star near the sun. In 1881 I had a similar experience. I was only a young lad at the time, attending one of the Public schools of Brisbane. We boys were playing in the schoolyard when someone said, "Look at the star near the sun." We ceased playing, and looking near the sun we saw what appeared to be a star. It did not move, and was visible for some time. The sun was at its meridian. The star appeared to be about one and a half times the sun's diameter from it on the western side. What this light or star really was I have never ascertained.

I am, etc.,

W. G. HANSON.

Burwood, April 19.

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VICTORIA.

BIGAMY CASE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

In the Criminal Court to-day Walter Edward Halls, an elderly man, was charged with bigamy.

The Crown case was that on April 7, 1883, Halls was married to May Alice Dyster in South Australia. The evidence showed that Halls had gone through the form of marriage with Mary Allison Ranken, who bore him a child, and with whom he was living.

The wife said that she did not want her husband back, and some of the witnesses gave Halls an excellent character. He then withdrew his original plea, and pleaded guilty. He was remanded for sentence.

FRUIT EXPORTS.

The latest figures available show that Victoria's fruit exports during the season just closing will equal those of the previous year, one of exceptionally heavy yield. The season has been profitable to orchardists.

FIFTEEN YEARS' IMPRISONMENT.

Frederick George Mott, a farmer near Natimuk, was at the Hamilton sessions to-day sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment on a charge of having committed an offence on his daughter, aged 19. On a charge of having attempted to commit an offence on another daughter, when she was only 13 years of age, accused was sentenced to five years' imprisonment, to be concurrent with the previous sentence.

MADAME CALVE'S CONCERT.

Madame Calve, assisted by Signor Gasparri (tenor), and Mr. Jaques Pintel (pianist) gave another successful concert at the Town Hall to-night. The building was crowded, and the various numbers were enthusiastically received.

GOLD SHIPMENTS.

The gold shipments by the Otway consisted of £26,000 for London, shipped by the Orient S. N. Company.

ELECTRIFICATION OF RAILWAYS.

The Minister for Railways says that if the State Ministry takes his advice it will at once prepare to undertake the electrification of the suburban railways.

ISLAND AFFAIRS.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

Burns, Philp, and Co.'s island steamer Makambo arrived at Pinkenba last night from the Solomon Islands and Papua, and sailed again this morning for Sydney. When the Makambo left Tulagi, in the Solomons, the labour vessel Clansman was recruiting natives for the Fiji plantations, and her master, Captain R. Pearn, who is well known in Australia, was seriously ill. Mr. Barnett, Deputy Commissioner, stated this morning that affairs in the Solomons had of late been very quiet, and no incidents of any note had been recorded. During the last few months a number of new settlers had arrived in the islands and taken up land, which they intend to devote to cocoanut-growing and general cultivation.

MORE COASTAL RAIN.

BOUNTEOUS CONDITIONS IN THE NORTH.

Further rains have fallen on the coast north from Bateman's Bay, and very heavy downpours occurred on the extreme north coast. Light showers have also fallen on the Blue Mountains, and over Hunter and Manning districts, and the northern tablelands. Byron Bay, and Ballina received upwards of four inches, the complete records for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday being:—

	Points.		Points.
Armidale	1	Mount Victoria	20
Ballina	425	Mullumbimby	165
Bankstown	11	Murrurundi	6
Bateman's Bay	1	Murwillumbah	63
Blackheath	5	Maxwellbrook	10
Bowral	2	Nambucca	183
Byron Bay	431	Newcastle	93
Casino	11	Parramatta	12
Clarence Heads	198	Paterson	14
Crookhaven	6	Port Macquarie	24
Glebe Point	12	Port Stephens	17
Gloucester	15	Raymond Terrace	17
Grafton	100	Seal Rocks	29
Grenfell	12	Singleton	15
Gerry's Plains	2	Sydney	12
Katoomba	7	Sutton Forest	8
Kiama	9	Tabulam	42
Lismore	109	Tenterfield	34
Maitland	27	Tweed Heads	89
Manning Heads	18	Uralla	8
Marrickville	12	Wagga	4
Moss Vale	46	Woolgoolga	238

Rain was still falling yesterday afternoon at Ballina, Byron Bay, Barranjoey, Clarence Heads, and Tweed Heads, and last night Newcastle advised a fall of one point.

Southerly gales were blowing along the North Coast last night, and heavy seas were running. Boisterous conditions are expected on the South Coast shortly.

QUEENSLAND RAINFALL.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The following rainfalls were recorded in Queensland during the 24 hours ended 9 a.m. to-day:—

Northern Division.—Thursday Island 385 points, 10, Cooktown 22, Grassy Hill 14, Cape York 279, Palmerville 20.

Southern Division.—Southport 12 points, Cleveland 32, Nerang 10, Wallangarra 10, Tallebudgera 40.

The late reports of 9 a.m. yesterday were:—Emu Vale 35 points, Kingaroy 21, Oxenford 40, Medlow 189, Goodna 10, Sunny Bank 70.

A FATAL FALL.

William Carfoot, a master bricklayer, lately living in Bryant-street, Rockdale, died at Sydney Hospital yesterday from the effects of injuries received to his spine by falling from a building in Elizabeth-street, city, on the 11th inst.

BRIDGE OR TUNNEL?

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Before the above proposition is definitely decided it should be noted that approach to a bridge from North Sydney, stated to commence near North Sydney municipal offices, would put a stop to the cruel over-loading of horses now daily to be seen from Milson's Point to Ridge-street, and from McMahon's Point to Blue-street.

If a tunnel is likely to be adopted, then there should be weighbridges at the wharfs, with tables of strains and weights over the routes, so that men unintentionally overloading could avoid doing so. Or might print cards of loading and strains, and send copies to the carrying trade. Apart from the cruelty, there is probably a heavy intrinsic value loss yearly through overloading horses, which, alas, cannot, like a locomotive, refuse to disobey unnatural laws of weights and strains. I am, etc.,

J. MACLEAN.

Wollstonecraft, April 4.

DOGS AND SNAKES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In some dogs the snake-killing instinct seems to be very pronounced; in others it seems to be entirely wanting. The other day I saw an English terrier, a mere handful of a dog, whose mother had been an inveterate snake-destroyer, with a five-feet black snake "hailed up" in a fern patch. Throwing its body into the form of a spiral, the incensed reptile endeavoured to "strike" the terrier, but the brave little fellow dodged the attacks, and exhibiting no signs of fear, continued to yelp right in "the teeth" of his foe; now and then leaving off to make a sudden rush, grip the snake just behind the tail, shake it as well as he could, and then quickly let it go. Again I have seen a large bull-terrier with a face fierce-looking enough to terrify anything that looked at it, and who was "boss" of all the dogs in the neighbourhood, make a long detour to get out of the way of a stockwhip lying in the grass. I am, etc.,

ORAMA.

LIVE WIRES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Recently I was witness to an accident in Regent-street to a telephone or telegraph lineman, which appeared to be caused by an electric shock. At the particular place where this accident happened a large number of telephone or telegraph lines cross the tramway wires, from which there is absolutely no protection. The result of one of those telephone wires breaking and falling across the live wire can easily be imagined, and may have been the cause of the accident to-day.

Now, Sir, why cannot some protection be put over the tramway live wire, say, a piece of metal bent to the shape of a V (inverted), and insulated from it, which would obviate any possibility of such an accident happening. The expense would be small; the results permanent. I am, etc.,

April 2. TRAVELLER.

RAILWAY TRAVELLER.

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QUEENSLAND.

TYSON ESTATE.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

In the Supreme Court to-day the hearing of the action brought by the Queensland Trustees, Limited, as administrators of the estate of the late Mr. J. Tyson, against W. H. Fowles as nominal defendant for the Government of Queensland, to obtain a refund of succession duty amounting to £12,555 5s 9d, was concluded. Mr. Justice Real held that the agreement was invalid, and gave judgment for the defendant Crown.

BIBLE IN STATE SCHOOLS.

The latest referendum figures on the question of Bible-reading in State Schools are:—Yes, 44,872; No, 28,832.

NEW ZEALAND.

ACTION AGAINST MR. JOHN NORTON.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

The Supreme Court has refused the application for a new trial of the case, Bertling against John Norton, proprietor of the New Zealand "Truth," in which the jury awarded Bertling, headkeeper of the Wellington Zoo, £1000 damages for libel.

NEWCASTLE.

COAL AND OTHER EXPORTS.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

The following vessels were cleared at the Newcastle Customshouse yesterday:—Western Monarch, for Callao, with 1954 tons coal and 5 tons ship's use; Majade, for Antofagasta, with 2625 tons coal.

SCOTTSDALE-BRANXHOLME RAILWAY.

HOBART, Thursday.

The Royal Commission on the Scottsdale-Branxholme railway continued its sittings to-day.

Sir John Dodds, Chief Justice and Lieutenant-Governor of Tasmania, continued his evidence. He said that the statements made by Jensen were untrue. A telegram was read from Mr. Hugh Hiscutt, who put up an hotel at Ringarooma, stating that he had never told witness Troubridge that Sir John Dodds had said to him that he would see that the station site at Ringarooma was Lot shifted. The land for the hotel was purchased by Mrs. Hiscutt, and negotiations were carried on by Mr. Farrell, council clerk at Ringarooma. Hiscutt was on the north-west coast at the time, and witness was in Hobart. He denied that the police had cleared his land or had driven him about the district.

George Wilson Waterhouse, of the firm of Ritchie and Parker, Launceston, said that he had brought the Branxholme properties under the notice of Sir John Dodds in June, 1906.

George Russell Cunningham, a farmer at Scottsdale, said that the evidence given by Edwards that the witness had told him that Sir John Dodds had asked him to use his influence to get Troubridge a license was absolutely untrue.

Sir John Dodds was cross-examined by Mr. Keating during the afternoon. He was taken over the allegations, and gave denials and explanations.

MAORI FOOTBALL TEAM.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Thursday.

The team of Maori footballers to visit Australia will leave on May 30, the New South Wales Union having requested that arrangement. The tour will last about six weeks.

SHIRE COUNCILS.

BELLINGEN (Bowraville).—At the monthly meeting of the shire council, Cr. Lyon presiding, the engineer reported that the recent rains had damaged the roads in the shire to the extent of £4000. Cr. Dowle then moved—"That a telegram be asked for a special grant of £2300 for the repair of the flood-damaged roads." He pointed out that storekeepers of Bellingen were compelled to discontinue delivering orders during the wet weather. The president said that no one had any idea of the fearful state the roads were in, and the motion was carried unanimously. Six applications were received for the position of clerk, and Mr. Mr G. Grimwood, of Windsor, was accepted. It was decided to make application to the Government for a special grant for river bank protection, as the banks at Macksville and other places needed urgent attention. Plans, specifications, and estimates for a bridge across the river at Bellingen are to be forwarded to the Works Department, with the request that the bridge be constructed, and the work be made a national one. Cr. Black moved his notice of motion, to the effect that the position previously passed by council, that the shire capital and banking account be transferred from Bowraville to Macksville, be rescinded. The motion was seconded by Cr. Dowle, and carried.

HASTINGS (Wauchope).—At the meeting of the council on Tuesday, owing to the site previously purchased for the shire hall having been resumed for railway station purposes, it was agreed to accept an offer of a new site, centrally situated, at a cost of £100. It was decided to purchase a road grader, and later on it is proposed to install a rock-crushing plant. Councillor Lagerquist was elected chairman.

LAKE MACQUARIE.—The council has been notified by the Public Works Department that with reference to the proposed new ordinance submitted to regulate omnibus traffic in the shire, the department proposes to make an amendment of ordinance 47 to meet the difficulty which the council's draft was intended to overcome. It was also agreed to co-operate with the council in urging that provision be made in the Amending Local Government Bill to give councils power to accept penalties for straying animals without recourse to the courts. The engineer was empowered to let several contracts, and it was resolved to purchase a road grader, likewise to apply to the Department of Lands to have a road reserve made to the parish of Awaba.

MATHOURA (Murray).—The council has decided to instal a weighbridge at the local railway station. The shire clerk having intimated that he had not time to carry out the duties of sanitary inspector in the town of Mathoura, the council decided to call for applications for the position, at a salary of £5 per annum. Constable Archer was appointed inspector of nuisances, in place of Head-class Constable Lucas, transferred to Darlington Point.

NATTAI (Bowral).—At the last meeting of the council a letter was received from the Lands Department, intimating that a reserve had been made on both sides of the Wingecarribee River. A letter was also received from the district surveyor at Goulburn action would be taken towards the establishment of deviation in the part of the Mittagong-Bowral road. The Public Works Department wrote to the effect that a sum of £180 had been allotted to the council, as a grant to assist in carrying out the works on the Bowral-Moss Vale road. Cr. Carnie, the length Wangarderry, via Bulli to the caves, on condition that the council spent £200 from its own funds on the same length of road. The council decided to accept the grant on the terms stated, and to make arrangements for expending the money. In reply to council's request for a special grant for Armstrong's Hill, on the road Bowral to Robertson, the Public Works Department wrote, stating that the increase in the shire's endowment from 3s to 4s was meant to meet such cases as Armstrong's Hill, and no special grant in addition could be made for the work in question. Tenders were accepted for road contracts amounting to £360.

YANCO (Narrandera).—Mr. R. R. Clayton, of Barellan, has been elected president of the Yanko Shire Council vice Mr. Reginald J. Austin, of Windella, resigned, owing to a contemplated trip to Europe.

PROLIFIC OYSTERS.

"A single oyster can produce 16,000,000 young," said Professor W. A. Herdman in the course of a lecture at the Royal Institution. "If all lived and produced in their turn, the second generation would number about 256,000,000,000,000. By the time the fifth generation was reached their number would be so prodigious that they would make a bulk equal to more than 131 masses the size of the world. But young oysters have many enemies. Starfish eat them in thousands, as do crabs and sponges, while millions are swept away by the tide."

THE CALARE CASE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I was greatly amused at the efforts of "Surprised," as published in yours of the 19th inst., to find an excuse for the defeat of the Liberal party. He says he did not know the name of the Liberal candidate; but he knew there were socialists, and, to save voting for them, he had to vote Labour. It is strange that he can rush straight to your valuable paper with these excuses, when, if what he says is true, he could not have seen a "Herald" for the past month or so. Well, I think "Surprised" is an ignorant man, and these are my reasons:—(1) He says, "Outside the voting station, too, the Labourites had a table for the distribution of literature, instructing us how to vote according to their ideas." Police are stationed at every polling place for the purpose, among others, of preventing just this thing. If, therefore, this accusation is true, why was it not stopped. There is a very heavy penalty

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

STOCKS AND SHARES.

A fair amount of business was effected on 'Change yesterday at about late rates. Manly Gas eased 1/6, and South Greta Coal rose /3, other sales being at previously current prices.

The following sales were reported:—Morning: Tooth and Co., 44/; Manly Gas (paid), 40/6; Newcastle and Hunter River Steam, 23/; 30/6; Standard Waygood, 20/; 20/3; Henry Jones Co-operative, 23/ net; Katoomba and Leura Gas, 24/6; South Greta Coal, 13/6. Afternoon: Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., 64/; Perkins and Co., 39/6.

Closing quotations were:—

Company.	Amount of Shares.	Shares Paid Up.	Last Div. Per Annum.	Price. Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	Yield to Investor.
STOCKS.							
N.S.W. F.S.,							
due 1912	...	...	3	85	80	...	5
Do., due 1912	...	...	3½	89½	90	...	5
Do., due 1942	...	...	4	100½	100	...	5
Do., due 1924	...	...	4	90½	90½	...	5
Do., due 1935	...	...	3½	96½	97½	98½	5
Do., due 1921	...	...	3½	96	...	97½	5
Do., due 1923	...	...	3½	99	...	99	5
Do., due 1919	...	...	3½	98	...	...	5
Do., Act, 1873	...	...	4	102	...	102	5
Do., Debentures	...	...	4	101	104½	...	5
Do., T. Bills	...	...	4	99½	99	...	5
Do., due 1910	...	...	4	100	100	...	5
N.Z. Deb.	...	...	4	100½	...	101	5
Q. Deb.	...	...	4	100½	100	...	5
Tmns. T. Bills	...	...	4	100	...	...	5
W. A. Inscr.	...	...	3½	...	...	100½	5
Brito	...	...	4	100	...	101	5
Aus. Gas D. '22	...	...	4	101½	100	...	5
City Syd. Deb.	...	...	4	101½	...	102	5
Col.Sugar D. 14	...	...	5	108	102	...	5
BANKS.							
Australasia	40	40	14	112½	110	112½	4
Bank of N.Z.	20	7	5	40	...	40½	5
City of Sydney	10	8	3	82/6	...	82/6	4
Bkg. Corp.	10	8	3	78	...	77/6	4
Com. of Aus.	100	100	...	14/3	14/	...	...
Do., pref.	10	10	6	6/5/9	6/6/	...	4
Com. of Sydney	25	12½	10	31	31½	...	4
N. of Aus. ord.	8	5	6	5/16/6	5/	...	4
Distrs. pref.	10	10	10	10	...	...	4
N.S.W.	40	20	10	46½	46	46½	4
Do., new	20	20	10	45½	45	45½	4
Do., "Rights"	...	...	...	2/6	...	...	4
New Zealand	100	37½	12	92	91	92	5
Q'land Nat.	5	3	...	23/9/6	24/	24/9	4
Royal of Q.	9	5½	14	52	54	54	5
Union	25	25	14	67	65½	66½	4
London Bank	20	7½	...	...	...	8	...
Ditto, pref.	10	10	...	...	...	11	...
DEPOSITS.							
Com. of Aus.							
Assets	...	...	3	17/10½	17/9	...	5
E. S. and A.							
Inscr. pref.	...	...	3	12/7½	12/3	...	4
Ditto, def.	...	...	44	18/	18/	...	4
Ditto, deb.	...	...	4	19/6	19/	...	4
Queensland Nat.	...	...	3½	17/8	17/8	...	4
STEAM.							
Adelaide S'ship	1	1	10	38/9	38/	39/	5
Bal. N. Ferry	1	1	7½	20/	...	20/3	5
H. Smith, ord.	1	1	15	51/	50/6	51/6	5
Ditto, pref.	1	1	5	21/6	21/6	...	4
Illawarra	1	15/	7	16/6	...	16/6	5
Newcastle	1	1	6	25/	23/	25/6	5
North Coast	1	17/6	5	27/	26/6	27/	5
Port Jackson	1	15/	10	55/	54/	55/	5
Sydney Ferries	1	1	10	54	...	54/6	5
Wallaroo	1	1	10	39	38/6	40/	5
Union of N.Z.	1	1	8	31/6	32/	...	5
INSURANCE.							
A. M. Inv.	1	15	14	57/	55/	58/	...
Col. Mutual	1	1	21	63/6	...	63/9	6
Mer. Mutual	1	6	16½	17/	16/9	17/3	6
New Zealand	10	7	12	77/6	...	78/3	5
Queensland	1	10/	8	18/3	18/6	...	4
United	1	10	24½	52	53	...	5
GAS.							
Alliance	1	12/6	10	21/3	21/6	22/6	6
Australian	6	6	15	19	18½	19	4
Balmain	1	1	10	37/6	...	37/9	5
Charters Towers	10	10	10	12	...	9	4
Goulburn	1	1	15	53/6	60/	...	5
Grafton	1	1	10	32/6	30/	...	5
Kat. Leura	1	1	6½	24/6	23/6	...	5
Maitland	5	5	10	9½	9½	...	4
Manly	1	1	10	40/6	40/	40/6	4
Ditto, new	1	1	10	40/	...	40/6	4
Mudgee	1	1	7	24	23½	24/9	6
Newcastle	2	2	15	64	...	64	5
Ditto, new	2	2	15	64	62/6	...	5
North Shore	1	1	10	40	...	40/6	4
New issue	1	1	8	22	...	22/9	4
South Brisbane	10/	10/	10	...	21/	...	5
Ditto, pref.	10/	10/	7	20	...	...	5
BREWERIES.							
C. and W. Bros.	1	1	4	10/3	10/	10/6	7
Perkins	15	15	53	39/6	39/3	40/	7
Toohey's	16	16	5	15/9	...	15/9	5
Tooth's	1	1	10	44	43/6	44/	4
MISCELLANEOUS.							
Aarons' Ex. Bd.	15/	11	5	6/	6/6	...	4
Ad. Taylor	1	1	10	37/6	37/6	37/6	5
Aus. Hat Manfg.	1	1	7	28/	...	...	5
H.H.W. Supply	5	5	10	17	17/9	21/6	4
Brooks, W.	1	1	7½	30	...	...	5
Burns, Philp	1	1	10	44/	43/9	44/3	4
Ditto, 10, paid	3	15/	10	26	24/	26/	4
Cel. Sugar	1	1	12½	28	...	...	4
Dalgety, Co.	20	5	6	6/6/3	...	64	4
Dunlop R., ord.	1	1	10	21/	22/6	22/6	4
Ditto, pref.	1	1	9	35/3	35/	...	5
Emu B. Hall	1	1	7½	2/8	2/8	...	4
Fraser, G. G. M.	1	1	11	27/	24/9	26/	4
K. Rich. Co.	1	1	5	13/9	13/6	...	4
G., Mort, Co.	32½	32½	6	64	62/9	64/	4
Goodlet, Smith	15	15	15	19/6	19/	19/6	6
H., Jones, Dev.							
Bn.	1	1	8	39	38/	...	4
Ditto, comp.	1	1	10	14/9	...	15/	6
Hotel Metropole	1	1	8½	20/	19/6	...	5
Ditto, pref.	1	1	6	21/6	22/6	...	5
H. Mackenzie	1	1	10	22/6	22/	...	5
Ditto, pref.	1	1	7	22/3	21/6	...	5
M. Cark, Co.	1	1	10	21/	...	...	5
Ditto, pref.	1	1	10	21/	...	...	5
Melb. Trams	10/	10/	20	27/6	42/	...	4
Mont de Piete	1	1	15½	43	43/	...	4
Mort's Dock	1	1	6	23/6	...	...	5
Ditto, pref.	1	1	7	23/6	...	...	5
N.S.W. F.F.L.	12	10	6	11	10/9	11/	5
Paul and Gray	1	1	10	24/6	20/	24/	4
Perdriau	1	1	10	20/	...	20/	5
Perm. Trust	5	5	6	10	4	5	5
Perp. Trust	10	5/	10	12/9	11/6	12/6	4
Pitt, Son, Bad.							
Pref.	1	12/	10	25/	25/6	...	4
Q. Meat Ex.	1	1	8	24/6	24/	...	4
R. H. Gordon	1	1	10	28/6	26/	28/6	4
R. and Merrich	1	1	10	16/	16/	16/6	4
Sargents, Ltd.	1	1	10	29	28/6	29/	4
Silv. Trans	1	1	10	3	...	3/6	4
Stan. Waygood	1	1	10	20/3	20/9	21/6	4
Syd. Cycle Trans.	1	1	10	1/	...	20/	4
Syd. Exch.	10	10	6	12/6	12	...	4
Syd. Hydraulic	1	1	8	21	20/	21/6	4
Ditto, comp.	1	10/	8	10/6	10/	10/6	4
Syd. H., G.E.	1	15/	11½	26/	25/9	26/9	4
W. H. Soul	1	1	15	55	55/	...	5
Wright, Heaton	7½	5	10	65/6	66/	...	4
Wunderlich	1	1	8	24/6	24/	...	4
Ditto, pref.	1	1	7	22/3	23/	...	4
LAND AND BD.							
Haymarket	...	...	...	...	20/	...	...
Indus. Prop.	20	20	6	18	...	19	6
Inter. Inv.	1	15	12½	30/	32/9	...	4
Newcastle Bldg	1	1	7	22/	23/	...	4
S. Aus. L.M.	2	2	7½	17/	18/	21/	4
COAL.							
Abermain	1	18/6	15	35	33/	...	7
Bellambi	1	1	15	48/	47/6	48/6	7
Caledonia	10	10	10	12	...	12½	6
East Greta	1	1	10	27/6	26/6	27/6	7
Hebden Greta	1	1	5	11/	...	...	5
Metters	5	5	8	7½	6/7	7/	5
Metrop.	1 pref.	1	1	8	21/6	19/	7
Ditto,	2 pref.	1	1	5	12/	11/	13/6	8
Ditto,	Trust	1	1	...	...	...	11/	8
Mt. Kembla	...	10	10	18	35½	33	36	7
Newcastle	...	11	10	5	6½	...	6½	7
North Bulli	...	1	1	10	24/	16/	24/	8
Reform	...	1	1	6	...	...	25/	...
South Greta	...	10/	10/	10	13/6	13/	15/	...
Vale of Clwydd	...	1	1	10	35/	30/	33/	6
Wallsend	...	1	1	10	25½	...	25½	7
Waratah	...	6	6	...	...	1/6	...	...
W. and B. la.	...	1	1	...	11/9	11/6	12/3	...
Ditto,	1 pref.	1	1	10/	10/	...	10/6	...
Ditto,	pref.	1	1	10/	33/	...	34/6	...

† Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution, otherwise on the last half-yearly one. * Plus annual payments of 2½ per cent. b Cum dividend. ‡ Ex Dividends. ‡ Cum rights.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Adelaide Steamship, b 38/6, s 39/; Broken Hill Proprietary Company, contg., b 8/11, s 9/7; ditto, paid, b 25/9, s 26/6; Broken Hill Water Supply, b 18/9, s 19/9; Melbourne Trams, b 42/9, s 43/6; New Zealand Loan and Agency, b £3/10, s £5/17/6; Perth Gas, 6s/6, b 4s, s 5s/.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

Sales: Four per cent. Treasury Bills, £100/10/.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Victorian 4 per cent. Treasury Bonds, £99/10/; ditto, 3 p.c. Stock, 1929, £87; Colonial Bank, 44/6; ditto, pref., £12/12/; National Bank, £5/15/; Bonds Bank, 77/; Victoria Bank, £11/15/; Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Ltd., 63/9; Metropolitan Gas, £31/7/; Emu Bay, pref., A, 11/3; ditto, pref., B, 11/3; Melbourne Trams, 43/3; Dunlop, pref., 23/3; Potter's Subjacks, 2/11, 3/; Sydney Ice and Freezing, 22/6; Wunderlich, pref., 23/6.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The annual report of the New York Life Insurance Company for 1909 states that the new insurance paid for in 1909 was £30,009,740, an increase of £1,368,067. The amount of insurance in force at the close of the year was £411,550,237. The new premiums received were £1,222,497, and the renewal premiums aggregated £14,742,856. Interest and rents were £5,139,944. Other receipts, including purchase money for annuities, amounted to £506,164. The total income of £21,401,461 exceeded the revenue of the previous year by £392,609. The sum disbursed during the year in death claims was £4,729,828; for matured endowments, £1,226,516; cash values of deferred dividend and other policies surrendered, £2,789,767. The dividends, or bonuses, paid in cash in the year were £1,466,683. Annuities were £250,495, and expenses of every kind, including bad and doubtful debts charged off during the year, were £2,222,743. These last show a further reduction of the ratio which has so marked a feature of the reports in recent years. The expenses incurred for the direct acquisition of the very large new business secured by the company absorbed 56.85 per cent. of the first year's premiums. All other expenses show a ratio to total premiums of 9.38 per cent. These ratios stand at the lowest point of any year during the past quarter of a century. The amount loaned on the security of the company's policies was nearly one million sterling less than in the previous year, and the total was £4,823,338. The total funds of the company, as admitted by the New York State Government insurance department, after charging off the excess of the book values over the market values of the securities, amounted to £123,231,950, the increase over the previous year's total being £8,717,069. The various reserve funds which make up the total accumulated fund to meet the liabilities are as follows:—Net values of insurances and annuities, less reinsurances, £102,112,638; reserves for dividends or bonuses payable to policyholders in 1910, and in subsequent years, £16,666,999; all other reserves, £4,452,403. The dividends declared payable to policyholders in 1910 are £1,817,344, against £1,562,294 for 1909, which is the largest dividend apportionment in the history of the company. The total fund set aside from which to pay dividends on deferred dividend policies as their dividend periods mature in 1911, and in subsequent years amounted on December 31, 1909, to £14,749,664. This sum is sufficient to give to each holder of a deferred dividend policy a contingent credit of an amount equal to what his dividends would have been on the basis of annual dividends paid by the company from the date of issue of the policy to and including the year 1910, with 4 per cent. compound interest, together with his proportionate share of the dividends accruing from the policies which have become death claims.

EFFECT ON CHINESE TRADE.

The effect on China of the new Indian duty on silver is a question of considerable interest. Any fall in the price of silver naturally intervies to stimulate China's export trade, and there is every reason to suppose that the present fall will have the usual effect in that quarter. On the other hand, the more Chinese exports increase the greater will be the Chinese demand for silver as an offset to the increasing volume of the country's exports. Thus any severe fall in the value of silver is automatically checked as long as China remains a silver-using country, and her ability to export is increasing, as it is to-day. The more severe the measures silver she will require, so that, as long as she is not over-supplied with the metal—and of such a state of affairs there is no prospect at present—a collapse in the value of silver is quite out of the question. It is significant that since the price fell, as a result of the Indian Government's decision, China has been a steady buyer of the metal. Evidently the fall in price has already given a stimulus to her export trade, and until a recovery takes place this factor will continue to operate and prevent further reaction. From the purchaser's standpoint there is no cause for anxiety. Production is undoubtedly increasing, but so, too, is the demand not only for currency purposes, but for use in the arts and industries. And, as every fall in the price is calculated to stimulate consumption, the probabilities are that the position will soon adjust itself to the changed conditions created by the action of the Indian Government. In short, the effects of that action will most likely be but temporary.

INTERESTING P. N. QUESTION.

"Ceylon" writes:—

Sir,—I would like to say a word or two in reply to the question appearing in the "Monetary and Commercial" columns of your paper of yesterday.

As a banker of over 30 years' standing, with experience at home and in Australia, I take a different view to that expressed by the council of the Institute of Bankers. The invariable practice in Sydney is that bills of exchange (including promissory notes) are presented for payment through the bank's exchange on the morning of the due date, and are retained at the domiciled bank until the last exchange, when, if funds have not been provided, they are returned to the bank's exchange with the relative answer thereon.

It has been ruled that a cheque, being payable on demand, immediate answer must be given thereto. On the other hand, a bill of exchange (including promissory notes) being payable on a particular day, the drawer, acceptor, or maker, as the case may be, has the whole of business hours during that day in which to provide for same.

So far as I am aware there has been no legal decision given on the point at issue, but law being governed largely by custom and usage, and the practice being as above stated, in the interests of all parties concerned it would appear a safer step to adhere to the present practice of retaining all bills and promissory notes until the final clearing of each particular day. This course is followed by the Melbourne banks also.

It is understood, however, that the practice described by our correspondent is not so invariable as he supposes. The question is one that may one day prove an expensive one when it comes to be thrashed out in the law courts.

ANGLO-AUSTRALIAN TRADE.

From Mr. C. Hamilton Wickes, H. M. Trade Commissioner in Australia, we have received a summary of the latest British trade returns, showing the value of the trade of the United Kingdom for the month of February as follows:—

Imports	£51,188,000
Exports—	
United Kingdom Produce	£1,982,000
Foreign and Colonial	10,185,000

Compared with the figures for February, 1909, the totals show the following increases:—

Imports	£600,000, or 1.4 per cent.
Exports—	
U. Kingdom Produce..	5,867,000, or 18.1 per cent.
Foreign & Colonial..	1,711,000, or 20.2 per cent.

Owing to the shortage in the cotton crop, there was a decrease of nearly three millions sterling in the value of raw cotton imported. The value of the imports of grain and flour increased by approximately £1,000,000. The activity in the rubber market is reflected in an increase of £1,068,000 in the value of raw rubber imported, and an increase of £570,000 in the value of the re-exports of that commodity. The more notable of the increases under the head of exports were the following:—

Cotton yarns and textile fabrics	£1,105,000
Woollen yarns and textile fabrics	760,000
Iron and steel and manufactures thereof	377,000
Apparel	274,000

The imports from Australia included the following:—

IMPORTS FROM AUSTRALIA.	Value in £'s.
Wheat	117,000
Mutton, frozen	155,000
Rabbits, frozen	11,000
Butter	486,000
Wool, sheep's or lambs'	1,897,000
Tallow and stearine	100,000
Lead	42,000
Tin	49,000
Phosphates	68,000

N.G.L.

Reuter's Berlin correspondent states that the annual report of the North German Lloyd, which has been issued, shows that the company, which suffered even more than the Hamburg-Amerika Line from the crisis of 1908, made a substantial recovery during the past year. The gross profits for 1909 amount to £3,899,000 marks, more than thrice the corresponding amount for 1908. Nevertheless, after providing for all liabilities, the company pays no dividend. The directors announce that the emigrant traffic to America in 1909 was more than double that for 1908.

INSTITUTE OF BANKERS.

Mr. J. Russell French delivered his inaugural presidential address before the Institute of Bankers of New South Wales last evening. As usual, the president touched on many points of a wider than pure banking interest. He suggested, for instance, that, now that Australian gold was accumulating in London, as the result of the heavy wool clip, and bounteous harvest, it would have to be brought back to the Commonwealth. And how was this to be done? Mr. French thinks partly through increased imports and possibly partly through a transfer of obligations from the other side of the world to this side. The institute's president also made reference to the new silver coins. He did not blame the Commonwealth Government for attempting to retain the profit on these, but hoped that the fact that there was no profit on minting gold would preserve to us the British sovereign. No reference was made to the possibility of a Commonwealth note issue, but Mr. French probably considered that his views on this subject were already sufficiently well-known not to need repeating.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Foreign Agency, Limited, has been registered, with a capital of £15,000 in shares of £1 each, to acquire the business carried on by Paul P. Schwartz as the Foreign Agency.

The Chemists' Co-operative Company, Limited, has a capital of £5000 in shares of £50 each, and will carry on business as wholesale and retail chemists.

Webster Chemical Company, Limited, with a capital of £5000 in 4000 preference and 1000 ordinary shares of £1 each, will carry on business as manufacturing chemists.

The Australian Oil Company, Limited, has a capital of £10,000 in shares of £1 each, and will acquire the Australian Oil Company from Messrs. Arthur and B. C. Morfoot.

The Sambas Rubber Syndicate, Limited, has increased its capital by £500 in £1 shares.

Messrs. Joseph Palmer and Son write in their "monthly share list" that there have been buyers for Australian Bank of Commerce shares at 13/3, and ditto inscribed remaining at 13/6.

The next local wool auctions will be held on 25th, 26th, and 27th inst. The market continues very firm.

E. Rich and Co., Limited, have declared an interim dividend at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum for the half-year ended March 31.

COMMERCIAL.

THE MARKETS.

A fair average turnover was reported in the general markets yesterday. Prices of chemicals underwent some variations. The market for rosin was firmer owing to the increased values ruling in America. G grade had business at £12/3/6 and £12/5/, while, at the close, holders were inclined to ask from £12/10/. N grade was not much inquired for. Bluestone was scarce and strong at £23/10/ per ton. Two tons of cream of tartar sold at /8½ (in a parcel), an extra /0½ being demanded for small lots of 56 per cent. The 99 per cent. c.o.t. was quoted at up to /9½. The market for sodas and other heavy chemicals was quiet. Linseed oil was held for higher prices, an advance being notified in the locally-manufactured (raw). The imported stuff was concerned there were practically no sellers at the current quotation. Covering several days one firm reported the sale of 215 drums and 10 casks of assorted. The market closed with every indication of continuing firm. Castor oil had sales at 2/4 and 3/6 in small half-case lots. Turpentine stood well. Rather business had been done at 3/11 and 3/11½ holders were asking 4/ for Pinetree. A hardening tendency was noticeable in respect to whitelead owing to the increased dearness of linseed oil. Imported Stockholm tar was quoted up to 6/10½ for single drums, and at 6/9 for five-drum lots. There was very little turnover in any jute fabrics. The reported extension of the short-time movement of the mills in Calcutta (from the beginning of September till the end of March) was confirmed. This will doubtless have a somewhat steadying effect upon values, as it will limit the production of the manufactured article and give demand a chance of picking up. However, quotations from Calcutta yesterday showed very little change on previous levels. It could not be said that corrosacks or hessian bags were parsaid that corrosacks or hessian bags were par-ticularly steady. Woolpacks were firmly held for 2/-. The metal market was quiet for heavy line. There were very few inquiries for fencing, wires and nettings. During the week Lysaght's disposed of 150 miles of various sizes of nettings.

Business in galvanised iron has not improved recently, as the weather had been most unseasonable, which prevented much cutting going on of logs, and mills were slow in resuming, while dealers were running low in stocks, and the demand continued very active. Prices held very firm for all descriptions, in some lines material advances being recorded. Indications pointed to strong markets for the entire year. A good deal of speculation continued in the corrugated iron line. Prices touched in February did not last long, the market again showing an upward turn for future business. Indications also pointed to a large demand, and it was thought that there would scarcely be sufficient stocks to last until the next crop could be gathered.

LONDON BUTTER MARKET.

Foley Brothers, Ltd., report having received the following quotations of the London butter market:—

Victorian.—Finest salted	114/ to 116/.
Finest unsalted	114/ to 116/.
Good quality	112/ to 114/.
N. S. Wales.—Finest salted	112/ to 114/.
Finest unsalted	112/ to 114/.
Good quality	110/ to 112/.
New Zealand.—Finest salted	114/ to 116/.

"The fall in prices was very sudden, and the market continues in a very depressed state, further big drops being anticipated in the near future, as stocks are dragging."

Dalgety and Co., Ltd., have been advised by cable of a further decline in the value of butter in the United Kingdom. The cable says:—"Finest Australian salted is now quoted at 112/ per cwt., but even at the reduced rate transactions are limited, as consumers are holding off the market in anticipation of lower prices. A considerable decline in the value of all descriptions of imported butter seems imminent."

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

TEA.

Ceylon B.O.P.'s had sales privately, covering 300 packages, at from /7½ to 1/0½, but generally speaking the market continued dull. Buyers were awaiting the arrival of next week's mail with samples from Ceylon. No samples came forward this week, because of the date of departure being Easter. Sales were not held during the Easter week. Business at auction was fairly brisk. The bulk of the catalogue was sold. Pekoe souchongs and pekoes ruling 8d to /8½, and better grades broken pekoes fetched up to /9½, and better grades up to /10.

Fraser, Ulher, and Co., Ltd., report having sold by auction, under instructions from the importers, Messrs. Thompson, Fraser, Ramsay Proprietary, 626 packages Ceylon tea, at prices up to /9½ per lb.

CHEMICALS.

Rosin: "G" grade, £12 to £12/5/; "K" grade, £14/15/, spot.

Citric acid: 1/4½.

Cream of tartar: 95 per cent., /8½ in parcels, /8¾ to /9 in small lots; 99 per cent. cream, /9½.

Sodas: Bicarbonate (Brunner Mond), £4/15/ in 3's, £8 to £8/5/ in 1's; mineral water strength, tinted (Brunner Mond), £6/15/ to £7; caustic, Musgrave's, in parcels, £12/15/ to £13, spot; Greenbank's, in parcels, £13/15/ to £14; silicate soda, liquid, £6/10/ for patent 4-gallon tins/5 parcels; soda ash, £6/12/6 in 10's, £7/2/6 in 3's.

Strychnine: 2/6.

Borax: Powder, £20; crystals, £19, in parcels, in 1-cwt kegs, 5-cwt kegs, 10/ less.

Bluestone (Macclesfield): £23/10/ per ton.

Boracic: 40/ per cwt.

Carbolic acid: 1/6 per cwt. in 1-cwt cases.

Muriate of ammonia: £26 per ton.

Flower of sulphur: Parcels, £8.

Carbide: Standard description, £13 to £14, in small lots.

OILS.

Kerosene (per gallon): Snowflake, ex store, Sydney and Newcastle, 10½; engine kerosene, /7½ to /8, f.o.r. and f.o.b. Sydney and Newcastle.

Motor-car spirit: 1/6 4-gallon tins, 1/8 2-gallon tins.

Benzine: 1/4 per gallon; gasoline, 2/6 per gallon.

Turpentine (per gallon): Pratt's, 4/ to 4/1, in distributing lots; Pinetree, distributing lots, 4/; parcels, 3/11.

Glycerine: 112/ per cwt.

Castor: Spot, 3/3, in cases; 3/4 1-cases; drums, 3/4.

China: Spot, 4/0; denaturated (under Customs supervision), 2/10 in 2½-gallon tins, and 3/ in 1-gallon tins.

Linseed oil (per gallon): First brands, spot, raw, 4/6 to 4/9; double-boiled, 4/10 to 4/11; local, raw, 4/7 in drums, 4/4 in casks.

Cottonseed: American, winter drawn, 3/3 to 3/6; denaturated, 2/10 (in 4's), 3/ (in 1's and 2's); Morrison & Morrison, burning oil, gallon tins, 3/ for parcels; and M. & J. Rapeseed: No. 1, 3/6 net; Colza, recognised brands, 4/ to 4/6, in 5-gallon drums.

Japanese fish: No. 1 Yokohama herring, 1/8 per gallon on spot; to arrive, June-July shipment, £17/15/ per ton c.i.f. and e.; ordinary fish oil, £16/10/.

Whale: 2/ to 2/3, according to quality.

Cod: Norwegian and Newfoundland, 2/1 to 2/3, according to quality.

Creosote: Pure, 7/ gallon in casks, 2/3 in drums.

Cocoanut oil: £29/10/ to £34, according to grade.

Olein: Dark 42°, pale £30 per ton net.

Whitelead: 1½ brands, in casts, £29/10/ per ton; in quarters, £30/10/; second brands, £1 to £2 less.

Redleads: First brands, £26.10/, £1 more for quarters; second brands, £1 less (casts); second brands, £28; quarters, 10/ more.

Zinc, white: Dry, Australian Red Seal, £27; Rep. 28/. Potatoes were dull. Carmen and Bowmell were quoted up to 70/, Western Pinkeye 60/ to 70/, Blackrock before 40/; Gambiers, 75/ to 80/. Onions were dull and weak, up to 50/.

Butter was fairly firm. Choicest Western was quoted at 1/, other prime /11 to /11½, special /11½, and in a few instances to /11¾. Eggs were firm at 1/4 to 1/7. Bacon was in use, includes 200 packages Ceylon, partly for export, and small sales of Indians. The latest advices with regard to lards states that the trade is anxious to buy, considers stocks small, and that it is now doubtful whether it will be sufficient for Commonwealth requirements. Fair sales of cream at tariff were made. Cormacks were quoted at 4/6d on the spot, and 4/9 to 4/9½ for forward delivery. Bradshaws sold at 5/2d on the spot. Fencing wire is in better inquiry.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

OUTLOOK FOR OATS.

MAIZE STEADIER—ONIONS VERY WEAK.

Are oats going to be dear? As far as some of the Sussex-street agents are concerned they feel assured that before very long—in other words, in the next six weeks—a level in the vicinity of 3s 6d or 3s 9d for choice stout wheten will be reached. The reason they give for this prediction is due to a big scarcity of supplies in New Zealand and Victoria. From information they received it was learned that the Dominion is nearly six million bushels short, whilst the Victorian shortage totals that two million bushels. The figures ruling in New Zealand do not allow of any business being done with Australia or London, whilst the Victorian farmers are not willing to sell their crops. The only market that we have to draw from is Tasmania, and as she has not a crop equal to that of last year the supply, they say, is literally held by big grain merchants. Latest quotations from the inland show that the lowest price that can be paid is on a basis of 2s 8d to 2s 9d f.o.b. The maize market was good for prime dry grain. Buyers were experiencing difficulty in securing local lots suitable for country clients. Holders of the Victorian shipment stated that they could not secure more than 3s for their stocks. Some of the consignments sold were in very prime, whilst a few were not too good. The two truckloads of maize from Wallangarra arrived, and both lots sold at 3s. Most of it was disposed of privately. The Burringbar market was fair with 3500 bags of maize from the Clarence River. Onions were extremely weak in price, and lower values are anticipated. Now that all the pick of the shipments of Tasmanian potatoes has been purchased the remaining lots were clearing at lower values. Chaff was active for prime qualities. A comment on the position of the produce trade at the present time reads as follows:—"The improved demand noted in our last has continued during the past week, and it is apparent that the dry condition existing in southern Riverina, also through out Victoria, is making itself felt in several lines, notably, chaff, hay, bran, pollard, and oats, all of which show a firmer tendency, but at the time of writing, some good enquiries have just been reported from the needy quarters, and, if these are followed up for the next day or so, it must cause the position a lot, as there is no actual shortage of fodder, but prospects are more disposed to hold until winter feed is assured. Potatoes are in over supply again, shipments from Tasmania being very heavy, while good many locals have also been sent in. Onions are plentiful and slow of sale. Turnips are in demand, owing to smaller supplies of other vegetables. Maize has exceeded, consequent on heavy shipments from the coast, also from Queensland and Victoria. Wheat is dull and business restricted, even at quoted values."

FEED-GRAIN AND OFFAL.

Current quotations were:—

Maize.—Northern river, prime dry yellow, 3/; soft, from 2/4 upwards; white, 2/10 to 2/11. Victorian: 3/. South African: Ex store 2/11 to 3/ per bushel.

Barley.—Victorian: Cape, 3/ to 3/2. English: Nominal.

Peas.—Tasmanian: Blue, 4/6 to 5/; grey, 5/ to 5/6 per bushel.

Oats.—Tasmanian: White, prime 2/6. Algerian: Feed 2/1 to 2/2; milling, 2/3 to 2/5 per bushel.

Bran.—Association price, £4/15/; pollard, £4/10/ per ton.

FORAGE.

Chaff.—Victorian: Wheaten, £4 to £4/5/; "shandy," £3/17/6. Oaten: £3/5/ to £3/15/ per ton.

Oaten Hay.—Victorian: Nominal to £4/5/ per ton. Darling's Straw.—Tasmanian: Wheaten, £3. Melbourne, £2/10/ per ton.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: Best qualities, large bales 55/, new green 50/, other qualities 30/

THE COST OF LIVING.

INQUIRY IN AMERICA.

WHAT IS RESPONSIBLE?

TARIFF OR COMBINES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

NEW YORK, March 20.

The "high cost of living" is just now the one dominant fact in the public mind; and is naturally seized upon as an argument in favour of all sorts of innovations. Wage-earners are asking for 25 to 50 per cent. increases of pay; the railroads clamour for correspondingly heavy additions to freight rates and passenger fares; and the great monopolies, such as oil, sugar, meat, and coal, are preparing for these upward changes by steadily raising still higher the prices of their own wares well in advance of this general movement. As a result there is not a little privation among the middle and lower strata of consumers, and an ever-growing social discontent, which can hardly fail to bring about radical consequences, and of many kinds.

The Senate is trying to discover why it is that things thus cost more now than formerly, and whether the change has been gradual and persistent, or is simply a sudden and temporary aberration from routine rates. Cynical onlookers claim, however, that the real concern of this committee is to make it appear that the tariff is in no way responsible for such increases—although it does, in Senator Aldrich's view, raise wages so that the wage-earner, in any case, gains more than he loses. The witnesses called so far have been almost exclusively friends of the tariff; and they have, it is true, at least succeeded in showing that there are contributory causes other than high duties, and specially the enormous cost—perhaps in this country unavoidable—of distribution by the trusts through the retailers. In many articles the difference between wholesale and retail is far more than 100 per cent. The duty levied upon the wool in a suit of clothes is almost an unappreciable item as compared with the price finally paid; and even conceding that the American workmen who turned the wool into the suit had themselves to pay duty upon the tools they used, and upon most of the things necessary for their support, the gap between real cost and the price to the consumer is more than wide enough to compel serious reflection.

THE TRUSTS.

Much the same moral is enforced by the admitted fact that products handled by American trusts—meat, for example—often reach the consumer at a less price in London than in New York. This is not because the London retailer has a more troublesome connection than the New Yorker, although that might have something to do with it, but more probably, as disclosed by the testimony so far taken, because the despotism of the trusts upon this side of the ocean is more absolutely effective. Fortunately, besides the dilettante problem of the Senate, there are several concurrent investigations by committees of various State Legislatures, and in a number of suits brought to restrain the monopolists as "conspirators in restraint of trade," and before election time, all the main facts of the matter, as viewed from all sides and standpoints, will be brought out. Beyond doubt, the candidates in almost every district will stand or fall upon this one tariff-and-trust issue; and most prophets, regardless of personal leanings, predict an anti-administration victory—that is, unless Mr. Roosevelt can be prevailed upon to plead in favour of giving it yet a little longer time to redeem its promises. As is generally believed, the great financial powers and the corporations and trusts will themselves be rather pleased than otherwise to see a Democratic majority in the House; for the Senate seems to be safely reactionary and anti-Roosevelt for at least four years to come, and, in the absence of further affirmative legislation, they feel safer from attack than under a Congress not divided against itself.

JUDGES AND COMBINES.

By the physical inability of one of the nine members of the Supreme Court to attend its recent sessions several important suits brought against corporations have failed—the vote standing four to three, which in effect defeats affirmative relief. This is a very grave ground for complaint, but as the Judges have a life tenure unless impeached for cause or declared by experts to be permanently disabled, there is no constitutional remedy, except the creation of more Judges—which would impair the dignity of the Court, and make it needlessly unwieldy. Some other decisions of supreme importance, among them a crucial case against the tobacco trust, and the appeal of the Labour leaders against a prison sentence for disobeying an admittedly unjustified injunction order, are also being held over until the full Court shall be present. Practically, indeed, nearly the entire business of the country is thus awaiting the convalescence or death of a single man; and should he die there will be appointment of a new man to fill the vacancy would practically give the control of these cases into the hands of the President and the confirming Senate. In theory, the Supreme Court was designed to be at all times a coequal branch of the Government; but paper constitutions have their limitations, and often at times when limitations are most embarrassing. The real trouble with the Court at present, if the whole truth should be told, is that most of its members are out of touch with the new Republicanism of Mr. Roosevelt; indeed, three of them, although entitled upon resignation to a pension, refused to resign because in that case Mr. Roosevelt would have had the right to nominate their successors. But this lowers the Court to the plane of a mere politically-biassed tribunal, which is just what the Supreme Court was designed not to be.

TROUBLES OF MINISTERS.

Of course the party in power is the first victim of the popular wrath in connection with the agitation over the cost of living, and in a St. Patrick's Day speech at Washington the President has retorted by an unprecedentedly bitter denunciation of editors and magazine-writers which will spur on that sensitive tribe to yet greater inflammatory activity. And texts for criticism are many, for one member of the Cabinet is now formally under Congressional investigation for alleged official improprieties; another (the Attorney-General) has been openly attacked by men such as Senators Nelson and Dolliver who rank among the first score of leaders in his own party; for platform utterances to the rail-party; for platform utterances to the rail-party; for platform utterances to the rail-

MINING.

COPPER AND LEAD LOWER. MARKET DEPRESSED.

With the price of copper receding £9, or £1/1/2 in two days, thereby bringing it back to £56/11/3, and lead dropping to £12/12/6, coupled with the labour shortage at Broken Hill, it is not surprising that the market yesterday morning was rather depressed.

It is quite true a considerable amount of business was recorded, but the trend of prices was on the weak side. This was more particularly the case with silver shares, the sales recorded in the seven Barrier stocks dealt in being on a reduced basis.

The tone of the market in the case of copper shares was also weak. A similar state of affairs ruled in regard to gold and tin shares, hence, it will be seen, that it was a bad selling day, and all against scripholders.

The position of affairs did not improve during the afternoon. Indeed, they were worse. This applied to all sections—copper, silver, gold, and tin. The most noticeable weakness in the copper section was shown in the case of Kangiara Mines, the shares receding to 16/, as against 20/ recorded a short time ago. New Zinasleigh and Tolwong Mineral also sold on the down grade, but holders of Budgery shares declined to mark down prices below the decimal point. Chillagoe contributing disclosed weak holders.

The tone of the market for silver scrip continued depressed, with sales at weak prices in B.H. South, paid, B.H. South, contributing, B.H. Junction North, B.H. South Blocks, Amalgamated Zinc, North Broken Hill, and Sulphide Corporation. The only stock that held its own was B.H. Junctions, but even it did not recover the ground lost on the previous day.

In gold shares, the weakness in Harden Gold Mine became more accentuated, sales being booked down to 16/, whilst Great Boulders also receded a little. The record in the case of Tongkah Harbour Tin and Vegetable Creek Tin was also against scrip-holders.

THE SHARE MARKET.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

COPPER.	Buyers.	Sellers.
Budgery	£ s. d. 0 2 11	£ s. d. 0 3 2
Chillagoe, contributing	0 2 6	0 5 7
Cobar Gladstone	0 2 7	0 2 9
Grafton	0 1 7	0 1 8
Great Fitzroy	1 1 6	1 1 9
Hampden-Cloncurry, paid	0 15 6	0 16 0
Kangiara Mines	0 15 6	0 16 6
Kangiara Proprietary	0 1 0	0 1 3
Kylpo	0 19 3	0 19 9
Lloyd Copper	0 1 6	0 2 2
Lobb's Hole	—	0 0 2
Ditto, contributing	—	0 0 1
Mount Elliott	3 14 0	—
Mungana (Chillagoe)	—	0 3 6
New Zinasleigh	0 15 3	0 15 9
O.K.	0 0 2	0 0 5
Queen Bee	0 2 6	0 2 8
Tolwong Mineral	0 2 11	0 3 2
Wallaroo and Moonta	2 0 0	2 1 3
TIN		
Glimore	—	0 1 0
Vegetable Creek	0 7 9	0 8 0
Ditto, contributing	0 6 6	0 7 0
Yalom	—	0 1 10
SILVER.		
New South Wales, etc.		
British Broken Hill	1 2 8	1 2 6
Ditto, fully paid	1 3 6	1 3 9
Broken Hill Proprietary	1 17 0	1 17 6
Ditto, Block 10	2 10 0	2 12 0
Ditto, Block 14, preference	—	0 7 0
B.H. Junction	0 6 0	0 7 0
B.H. Junction North	1 15 9	1 15 10½
B.H. North	4 5 0	4 5 6
B.H. South	5 2 0	5 2 6
B.H. South, contributing	4 18 0	5 5 0
B.H. South Blocks	1 7 6	1 7 9
Amalgamated Zinc	2 7 0	2 7 6
Sulphide Corporation, ord.	0 19 9	1 0 0
Sulphide Corporation, pref.	—	1 11 0
GOLD.		
New South Wales, etc.		
Baker's Creek	—	0 0 2
Gold Hill, contg.	0 15 0	0 16 6
Hargraves	—	0 4 6
Hawkin's Hill Reward	—	0 4 6
Main Ridge Deep Lead	0 12 0	0 14 0
Mount Davis	—	0 0 6
Mount Dryandale	—	0 3 9
Occidental	—	0 14 6
Dredging and Sluicing.		
Araluen Central	0 2 4½	0 2 6
Araluen Redbank	0 5 6	—
Rockland River South Extended	0 4 0	—
Tewkesbury Proprietary	—	0 10 6
Turon River	0 4 0	—
Tin—Dredging and Sluicing.		
New Wylie Creek	—	0 1 0
Scantlebyre	0 5 0	—
Tongkah Harbour Tin	0 18 6	0 19 0
Queensland.		
Charleston Towers, etc.		
Brilliant	0 5 2	0 5 4
Bronzie Dundee	0 1 0	0 1 6
Brilliant Block	0 5 3	0 5 8
Ditto, contg.	—	0 5 8
Brilliant Central	—	0 2 8
Ditto, contributing	—	0 2 8
Fast Mexican, paid	0 8 2	0 8 6
Mount Morgan	8 13 6	8 14 0
Gympie.		
North Smithfield, No. 1	—	0 7 6
South Glenmire and Monkland	0 0 4	0 0 8
Western Australia.		
Black Range West, contg.	2 14 0	2 19 0
Black Range West, contg.	—	0 1 2
Golden Pole	0 2 2	—
Great Boulder	1 1 9	1 2 3
Kalgurli South	0 14 6	—
Sandstone Development	0 2 9	0 2 11

STOCK EXCHANGE SALES.

MORNING.

Copper.—Budgery, 3/, 3/1; O.K. Copper, /8; Wallaroo and Moonta (sold lot), 41/; New Zinasleigh 15/9; Great Fitzroys, 21/9.

Silver.—Broken Hill Proprietary, 37/8; Broken Hill Junctions, 5/11, two months 6/2; Broken Hill Junction North, one month, 3/3; sold 25/9; Amalgamated Zinc, paid, 27/6; Sulphide Corporation, ord. six weeks, 20/6, ord delivery 20/, 19/9, 19/6; Broken Hill South, contg. one month, £5; British (old), 23/6.

Gold.—Sandstone Development, 2/9, one month 2/9; Harden Gold Mine, 16/; Mount David, 1/3; Brilliant, 5/2.

Tin.—Vegetable Creek, paid, 8/3; Tongkah Harbour Tin, 19/3, 19/.

AFTERNOON.

Copper.—New Zinasleigh, 15/10; Hampdens, 15/9; Kangiara Mines, paid, 18/, 17/, 16/; Tolwong Minerals, 13/6; Lobb's Hole, paid, 2/; Budgery, six weeks, 3/2.

Silver.—B.H. South, paid, £5/2/6; B.H. South, contg., 95/6, 99/; B.H. Junction North, six weeks, 36/, 35/6; six weeks, 35/9; B.H. South Blocks, 27/6; Amalgamated Zinc, 27/; Sulphide Corporation, ord., 19/9; B.H. Junction, 6/3; North Broken Hill, 85/.

Gold.—Great Boulders, 21/8; Harden Gold Mine, 16/.

Tin.—Tongkah Harbour Tin, 18/9; Vegetable Creek, paid, 8/.

LONDON SHARE MARKET.

LONDON, April 21.

On the Stock Exchange yesterday quotations of Australian mining ventures were:—Broken Hill Proprietary, b 36/6, s 37/6; British Broken Hill, b 22/6, s 23/6; North Broken Hill, b 83/9, s 86/3; South Broken Hill, b £5/3/9, s £5/6/3.

A private cable message states that amongst the shares quoted on the London Stock Exchange on Wednesday were the following "middle" prices:—B.H. South, £5/5/; B.H. South Block, 28/6; British (old), 23/6; Amalgamated Zinc, 27/6; Mount Elliott, 74/3; Great Cobar, £5/18/9; Mount Morgan, 72/6; Hampdens, 15/9; Broken Hill, 37/; B.H. North, 85/; B.H. Block 10, 52/6; Zinc (ord.), 12/9; Great Fingalls, 15/; L.V. Consols, 21/3; Sons of Gwalia, 37/; Gwalia Consolidated, 9/3; Oroya, 17/6; Kalgurli, £6/10/; Ivanhoe, £8/13/9; Great Boulder, 22/3; Zinaleigh, 17/; Sulphides (ord.), 20/.

Other quotes (buyers):—B.H. Block 10, 57/3; British (old), 22/6; Broken Hills, 36/9; B.H. North, 85/7½; B.H. South, £5/3/9; B.H. South Blocks, 27/; Zinc (ord.), 13/10½; Amalgamated Zinc, 27/6; Mount Morgan, 72/6.

Copper was quoted at £56/11/3, a decline of 8/9, or £1/1/3 in two days. Lead also eased from £12/13/9 to £12/12/6.

MINING NOTES.

The Victory Company (C.T.) reports a crushing of 99 tons, for 137oz of gold. The concentrates and residues have yet to come.

The directors of the Phoenix (Victoria) Gold Dredging Company have declared a dividend (No. 48) of 1s per share, payable on and after April 23. The transfer books will be closed on April 23.

Operations at the Great Fitzroy Mines, Limited (Q.), during the week ended April 15 show that the assays of the ore developed ranged from 0.5dwt to 3dwt of gold per ton, and from 0.5 per cent. to 4 per cent. of copper per ton.

The management of the South African Gold Dredging Syndicate report that their representative, Mr. Johnston, is now on the company's area, Thabina Valley, Northern Transvaal, and that further prospecting will be carried out immediately. The steel dredge for the Nympaehts G.D. Company is nearing completion, and will be ready for shipment in June or July.

The lack of water for the battery of the Main Ridge Deep Lead Company has seriously hampered operations at the mine for some months past, and, in spite of the exercise of the most rigid economy, the steady drain on the company's resources has at last exhausted the capital derived from the first issue of 10,000 contributing shares. It has, therefore, become necessary to raise additional funds with which to carry on, pending the fall of sufficiently heavy rain to start the creeks running into the new dam. The directors propose the issue of 2000 of the reserve shares at par, to be offered pro rata amongst the members, being in the proportion of one new share for every existing 10 shares held by each member. Any shares not taken up by members entitled to apply for same, together with all shares accruing from fractional parts, will be dealt with by the directors in such manner as they may think most beneficial to the company. For the purposes of this issue, the transfer books of the company will be closed on Friday, May 6. In a circular to the shareholders on the subject the directors remark: "In view of the fact that the annual general meeting of the company will not be held next month, at which full information will be submitted, and finances will be submitted, it is not considered necessary to say more here than that large bodies of payable wash have been opened up ready for extraction. Recent developments in the mine are also highly satisfactory, and the water supply plant is now practically complete, and in good working order, it only needs a sufficiently heavy fall of rain to enable returns to be at once obtained."

MINING IN THE STATE.

ADELONG, Thursday.

An important development had occurred in sinking the shaft of the Lady Clare mine at Donkey Hill. The sinking of the shaft became necessary, as the previous workings were in a winze over 100ft below the shaft level, and 200ft away, consequently the material had to be handled too many times, and much time was lost in doing. Therefore, the company determined to sink the shaft, and drive into the stone. Sinking operations have been going on for some time, and on Friday last the manager, itking the appearance of the hanging wall, caused a hole to be put through, and on the hole being fired, a very nice reef was noticed, showing a good amount of free gold, and fairly well mineralised. It is estimated the stone will be worth over 2oz per ton at the battery. Should this stone continue down a good future is before the mine, as the length of stone from there to the winze would be some 200ft. The shaft is down over 300ft, and it is intended to sink another 100ft before opening out.

Perkins Bros. at Donkey Hill are still having trouble with bad air, and are endeavouring to break through to an old rise to get the necessary ventilation. They have a fair body of stone, worth 15dwt per ton.

S. Watson, further over on Donkey Hill, is taking out a crushing within 20ft of the grass. He estimates the stone will go from 8 to 10 dwt per ton, which should pay well, being so close to the surface.

Anderson and Phillips had a trial crushing of a few tons from their new find, near the old New Chum mine, but have not yet made the result public. Very little per ton should pay well here, as the lode is 5ft wide.

Annetts and party have abandoned their claim in the bed of the Adelong Creek, and the cuts are now full to water level. They had some very good runs of gold, but the difficulty was to get over sufficient quantity of bottom owing to large boulders.

Development work is being pushed ahead on contract at the Gibraltar mines. The battery has not yet started again, but is being overhauled. Large quantities of sand and slimes, which were dumped years ago, are being successfully treated by cyanide.

The No. 1 barge of the Grahamstown gold estates was successfully floated higher up last week, and the ground now being worked is nearly opposite the Gibraltar mines.

HILLGROVE, Thursday.

Mining matters generally all round show an improvement, principally at the Eleanora and Proprietary, most of the tributers doing very well. One party has just finished crushing, and after all expenses had £75 per man for five weeks' work. Most of the levels at both mines are fully manned.

Since the weather took up the getting of scheelite ore has become very active, many of the older claims doing over a ton per week. The price on Saturday averaged £122 per ton.

The Baker's Creek Company started crushing with 20 head of stamps on Monday last. The main shaft has been deepened 13ft during the past fortnight; total depth below No. 19 level, 66ft 6in. Timbering the last portion is now in progress. Sloping is being carried on back of No. 19 level on Smith's and the footwall reefs.

LOBB'S HOLE, Thursday.

All hands working on the Lobb's Hole mine, excepting those employed in connection with the furnace, were paid off to the 15th instant. The stoppage is probably to last until next spring. There is sufficient ore raised to keep the smelter going for another three weeks.

Chas. Blackman, a miner, employed on the Lobb's Hole Central, received a painful injury to his right hand by a ladder dropping on to it whilst being lowered into a shaft.

A local prospector, G. Hancock, while skylarking near a camp fire, tripped and fell with his arm in the fire. He received very severe burns.

MOLONG, Wednesday.

After a long delay, caused through inability to secure teams, a start has been made to convey to Gunner's Dam mine portion of the machinery until recently used at the Bushman's mine, near Eucharema. It includes 12 head of stampers, but only five head will be used for the present. Some important developing work has been carried on at this mine, which is being worked by a local syndicate, and the results are most encouraging. The main shaft, which has been abandoned owing to a sudden inrush of water, is down 200ft. A fresh shaft is being sunk near the old one, and it is now down about 100ft, while it is the intention of the management to sink it down an additional 100ft. The load varies from three to eight inches, and gold is easily seen at various points of the mine. The ore-bearing stone is in shoots, some patches being very rich, while others are just the opposite. The gratitude table is for the purpose of concentrating the stone, so soon as the other machinery is properly adjusted, with the object of treating the concentrates on the field. The coat would be too great to despatch them to the smelting works for treatment, owing to the mine being so far from the railway.

Work has temporarily ceased at the Little Copper Hill mine, near Molong. Experiments are being with ore from this mine at Canbelego, where it is being tested by the caching and furnace process. It is feared the method will not prove very successful, owing to there being too much lime in the ore. If such proves the case, the syndicate working the mine will in all probability erect a furnace. The width of the lode has been proved to 9ft 6in, without the end being reached, and this is estimated to give a return of 5.2 per cent. copper.

WEST WYALONG, Thursday.

Though there is a heavy reduction in the number of wages men employed in the Wyalong mines, in comparison with last year, the figures show an increase in the number of tributers lie. Of those in the Auld's mine, two are raising stone of payable quality, and several small parcels, which have been treated with satisfactory results, were raised by tributors in the Prince Rio mine.

The Welcome Stranger party are stoping at the 240ft level, and extending the level on the usual quality of ore, of which there are about 16 tons at grass. The last parcel of 10½ tons yielded 47oz gold. Sinking from the 400 to the 500 ft level is proceeding in the Barrier mine, and stoping at the 300ft level is resulting in moderate returns, the last parcel yielding at the rate of about 15dwt per ton.

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YARRANDERIE SILVER FIELD.

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It is claimed for the Yarranderie silver-lead field that although it has been prospected for nearly a quarter of a century, and successful mines have been established for over ten years, there are yet many rich deposits awaiting the prospector. The varied fortune of the original holders of mining interests here was not long ago lucidly illustrated in the interesting articles on the field under the title of "The Silver Streak," by a special reporter for the "S.M. Herald." The information then conveyed has caused speculators to take heart, and the result is that around Yerranderie a number of shows have been opened up, which give promise of decidedly good returns.

Mr. J. L. Jones is having a shaft sunk on the property of Mr. E. P. Carlon, about four miles from Yerranderie, styled the Gingoola. The company controlling the venture have not yet offered the mine for public subscription. Mr. Sterritt, an old identity on the field, is working what is styled the Par Peaks; Mr. W. Webb, who held original interests in what are now Mr. Bartlett's highly-profitable mines, is working a small show, which, even if it has the varied luck that followed his initial finds, may create a mammoth estate. Mr. George Karkoe, who has been on the field for years, has a party working a claim, from which two tons of ore, taken practically from the surface, were sent for treatment, and gave satisfactory results. This show is on the property of Mr. M. Quigg. A shaft is down about 40ft, and the Government is rendering substantial aid to sink another 100ft. A shaft put down some years ago in the vicinity passed through a leader which, if it had been followed, might have opened up the property now being worked.

It is reported that Mr. G. Dunn has discovered a very promising reef, which seems to be a continuation of that now being worked by the Tonalli S.M. Co. The assays are not yet available.

Mr. W. King, a director of the board of management of the Ruby Creek Silver-lead Syndicate, has left to inspect the property being worked at Mount Werong. It is hoped that with the next six weeks the object for which the tunnel has been driven will be gained. There are six men working, and the Government recently increased the prospecting aid granted to the syndicate. Shares in this property have consistently maintained a high value. In fact, infinite offers have been made, but buyers cannot induce holders to part with their shares. The syndicate was originally formed at Yerranderie, but interests have since been largely taken up in Balmurst. A large area has been taken up adjoining the syndicate's leasehold, and as only the actual work necessary under the mining laws is being done till the result of the Ruby Creek tunnel is known, this work is being carried on by a complete mining organisations. One manager spoken to this afternoon said:—"Yes, we want the men. Get them for us from other places. Hurry them along." The matter will probably come on for consideration at the next meeting of the Mining Managers' Association. As things are, the leading field is being seriously hampered for want of enough labour. The outlook seems sufficiently good to warrant men coming forward freely.

TASMANIAN MINING.

ZEEHAN, Thursday.

Messrs. Bowes Kelly (chairman), W. Jamieson, J. C. Syme, and Lindsay Tulloch (directors), of the Mount Lyell mine, arrived at Zeehan to-day from Queenstown, accompanied by Mr. Robert Sticht, general manager. This afternoon they visited the Broken Hill Block 10 Company's newly-purchased mine at Comstock, about four miles from Zeehan. To-morrow morning they go to the Mount Lyell Company's Chester mine, North Pieman district, and then return to Rosebery to inspect the Tasmanian Copper Company's mine. After that they go on Saturday to Burnie.

LAUNCESTON, Thursday.

At the Hercules mine, "E" rise, west crosscut at No. 3 level has penetrated the lode 2ft. The ore is of good appearance, and is giving gratifying assay results. High grade zinc ore is being won from the third stope in "E" lode.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Sales and quotations:

W.A. stocks, associated, b 18/, s 19/6; Northern, b 6, s 6/3; Great Boulder, 21/4s, 9/7½, s 9/10½; Golden Horse, 6/7, b 6/7, s 6/8; Golden Ridge, b 15/6, s 16/3; Lake Views, 20/3, b 20/, s 20/3; Maranoa, b 7½, s 13/9; ditto, contg., b 7½, s 8/7; Oroya South, 23/6, s 24/; South Kalgurli, b 16/6, s 15.

Silver: B.H. Proprietary, 37/, b 36/9, s 37/3; British (old), 22/, b 21/10½, s 22/; ditto (new), 20/9, b 20/6, s 20/9; B.H. Junction North, 3/3, b 3/1½, s 3/3; B.H. South, 84/6, 84/, 85/6; B.H. South, contg., 98/, s 98/; B.H. South Blocks, 27/6, b 27/4½, s 27/7½; B.H. Junction North, 35/6, b 35/3, s 35/9; Zinc Corporation, ord., 12/3, b 12/3, s 12/6.

Copper: Chillagoe, b 4/5, s 4/6; Hampden, 15/6, b 15/3, s 15/9; Mount Elliott, b 75/, s 77/6; Mount Lyell, b 96/, New Zinasleigh, 15/6, b 15/3, s 15/9; Great Fitzroy, 21/10½, b 21/7, s 22/; Wallaroo, 40/9, b 40/6, s 40/9.

Tin: Blue Needle, 7/6, s 7/8; Vegetable Creek, paid, 7/11, b 7/2, s 7/9; ditto, contg., 6/6, b 6/6, s 6/7.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

To-day's sales were:

Silver: Amalgamated Zinc (fully paid), 27/6, 27/3; Zinc Corporation, 12/9; British (old), 22/9, 22/6d.

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JOSEPH MEDCALF, Undertaker, Redfern.

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CARFOOT.—The Friends of Mrs. WILLIAM CARFOOT and FAMILY, of Rockdale, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her beloved HUSBAND and their FATHER; to leave Charles Kinsela's Funeral Parlours, 61 Oxford-street, Paddington, TO-MORROW (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery.
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HORSEY.—The Funeral of the late FRANK GEORGE HORSEY will leave his late residence, Strathmerton, Smith-street, Manly, at 11.30, THIS (Friday) MORNING, for Manly Cemetery.
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O'DONNELL.—The Friends of Mrs. MICHAEL O'DONNELL are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved HUSBAND, Michael; to leave his late residence, 70 Forbes-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS AFTERNOON, at 2.15, for Waverley Cemetery.
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O'DONNELL.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM O'DONNELL are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved FATHER, Michael; to leave his late residence, 70 Forbes-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS DAY, at 2.15, for Waverley Cemetery.
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O'DONNELL.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. THOMAS O'DONNELL are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved FATHER, Michael; to leave his late residence, 70 Forbes-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS DAY, at 2.15, for Waverley Cemetery.
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O'DONNELL.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. SIDNEY O'DONNELL are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved FATHER, Michael; to leave his late residence, 70 Forbes-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS DAY, at 2.15, for Waverley Cemetery.
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O'DONNELL.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. MICHAEL MURPHY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved FATHER, Michael; to leave his late residence, 70 Forbes-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS DAY, at 2.15, for Waverley Cemetery.
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O'DONNELL.—The Friends of Miss ETHEL GODFREY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved GRANDFATHER, Michael; to leave his late residence, 70 Forbes-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS DAY, at 2.15, for Waverley Cemetery.

ROBINSON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. ROBINSON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved infant SON, Clifford George; to leave 84 St. James'-road, Waverley, THIS DAY, at 2.15 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery.
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STEAD.—The Friends and Relatives of Mr. and Mrs. EDWARD C. STEAD are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly beloved Infant DAUGHTER, Elizabeth Beatrice; to leave their residence, Fairlight-street, Five Dock, THIS MORNING, at 9 o'clock, for Rookwood Cemetery, via Croydon station.
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SULLIVAN.—The Friends of the late WILLIAM SULLIVAN (late of Paddington) are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to leave his sister's residence, 33 Francis-street, Leichhardt, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.45, p.m., for Waverley Cemetery.
CHARLES KINSELA, Funeral Director, Head Office, 116 Oxford-street, city.

SULLIVAN.—The Friends of Mrs. EDWIN ARMSTRONG are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her beloved BROTHER, William Sullivan; to leave 33 Francis-street, Leichhardt, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.45 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery.
CHARLES KINSELA, 765 George-street, city.

SULLIVAN.—The Friends of Mrs. NORMAN CULVER, of 33 Francis-street, Leichhardt, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late UNCLE, William Sullivan; to leave his late residence, 33 Francis-street, Leichhardt, TO-DAY, at 2 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery.

I.O.O.F.—Paddington United Lodge, No. 51.—The Officers and Members of the above Lodge and Members of the Order are invited to attend the Funeral of our late Bro. WM. SULLIVAN; to move from 33 Francis-st, Leichhardt, THIS DAY, at 1.45, for Waverley Cemetery. Albert Potts, N.G.; A. R. Muldwyne, Sec.

WEST.—The Friends of Mrs. MARY WEST and FAMILY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved DAUGHTER and SISTER, Helena Honora; to leave their residence, 46 Old Canterbury-road, Lewisham, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for the Necropolis, via Lewisham Station. By request, no flowers.
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WHITE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD WILLIAM, Mr. and Mrs. ALBERT WILLIAM, and Mr. and Mrs. JOHN YOUNG are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved MOTHER and GRANDMOTHER, Mrs. Amelia White; to leave 61 Kippax-street, Surry Hills, THIS AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for Waverley Cemetery.
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WHITE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. JOHN WHITE, of Mr. and Mrs. ALFRED WHITE, Mr. GEORGE WHITE, and Miss AMELIA WHITE are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved MOTHER and GRANDMOTHER, Mrs. Amelia White; to leave 61 Kippax-street, Surry Hills, THIS AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for Waverley Cemetery.
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